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PARIS, Jan. 9.—M. OLLIVIER, in his address to the Magistrates yesterday, said: "I will maintain intact the dignity of the Magistracy, and above all will keep justice clear from politics, so that decisions will have all the more weight."....M. BUFFET, Minister of the Finances, replying to an address from the great financial societies, declared that they must conform strictly to their statutes to avoid such misfortunes as that of the *Credit Mobilier*. He informed them that the Ministry of France would not keep up relations, as heretofore, with the great financiers....In the Corps to-morrow, Deputy CREMILEUX will propose that LEDRU ROLLIN and TIBALDI be not excluded from the benefit of the amnesty recently granted to political offenders....In addition to the project for a reduction of the army contingent, the Ministry will propose to-morrow in the Chamber to abolish the law of *sûreté générale*. At the same time an explanation of the interior and exterior policy of the Empire will be given.... The Ministry have decided that Algeria shall be represented in the Corps Legislatif by four Deputies....Permission has been accorded for the sale of all journals in the streets. All foreign journals will hereafter be distributed without examination by the Bureau of Censorship....The resignation of M. PIETRI, Prefect of the Police, has not yet been officially announced, but it is certain that he will soon be superseded.

PARIS, Jan. 8.—The trial of the editors of the *Rappel* (irreconcilable newspaper) for a violation of the law relating to the public Press, has been brought to an end. CHARLES HUGO and FELIX PYAT, the chief editors, were sentenced to four months' imprisonment and to pay a fine of 1,000 francs each. The latter gentleman was also sentenced additionally to four months' imprisonment and 1,000 francs fine for having distributed among the soldiers in the barracks an article calculated to foment insurrection....Prime Minister OLLIVIER recently petitioned the Emperor for the pardon of the miners who had been sentenced to various terms of imprisonment for participation in the riots at Aubin some time ago. The Emperor has complied, and to-day the prisoners were set at liberty.....It is announced to-day on the best authority that the French Ambassadors at London and Berlin have resigned..... It is reported to-day that the Ministry will propose a reduction in the contingent force of from 75,000 to 100,000 men....M. OLLIVIER to-day received the Magistracy of Paris in a body.... Yesterday there was an important reunion of the Ministers at the Ministry of Justice, and there was still another meeting to-day under the Presidency of the Emperor....It is said that a circular will be sent by the new Minister of the Interior to the Prefects of all the Departments, making known the policy of the Government. The documents, it is further said, are very liberal in tone.

The Ecumenical Council—The Proposed Dogma of Infallibility—Formation of a Spanish Ministry—Trades' Riot in England.

ROME, Jan. 8, via PARIS, Jan. 9.—At the session of the Council to-day, notice was given of the nomination of Cardinal BIZZARRI as President of the Committee on Religious Orders.... The Committee on Dogmas has commenced its sittings. Several ultra-Roman Fathers have signed their names to a petition to the POPE, praying his Holiness to present to the Council an opportunity for declaring the dogma of infallibility. It is evidently their design to force even the Holy Father into this precipitate policy, as they are doubtful of obtaining a sufficient number of adhesions to their party, unless he publicly commits himself in favor of the dogma. The reports that the Pope will allow no discussion of the question of infallibility in the Council unless he be sure of the result, is confirmed. He receives such petitions as the above, but simply as expressions of homage to the Holy See.

MADRID, Jan. 9.—The Ministerial crisis has terminated. Señor RIVERO, President of the Cortes, has accepted the Ministry of the Interior, Admiral TOPETE that of the Marine, and Señor SAGOSTA the Department of State.

LONDON, Jan. 9.—A trades' union riot occurred at the Thorncliffe Collieries, near Sheffield, yesterday. Much excitement prevails in Sheffield and the surrounding country.

ENGLISH AFFAIRS.

New Bishops—Father Ignatius—News from Rome—A Theatrical Event—The Rural Districts—Evils of Cider—Amusements of the Aristocracy—Woman.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, Monday, Dec. 27.

DR. TEMPLE and two other Bishops were consecrated at Westminster Abbey on the appointed day. Nine Bishops protested against the act of consecration. One of the protests was read by the Bishop of London, who acted for the Archbishop of Canterbury, but he decided that he was only the instrument of the higher power of the Crown, and he had no choice but to obey. Here the Crown—that is, Mr. GLADSTONE—places over one of the largest sees of England a man against whom half the Bench of Bishops protests, and whom two-thirds of the clergy not only of his own diocese but of all England would reject. And they talk about Papal despotism! Pope or Prime Minister, what makes the odds, when you have placed over you a Bishop you believe to be a heretic? And this sort of usurpation and despotism, so far beyond anything Papal, pervades the whole Anglican Establishment. A lay patron, of any or no religious convictions, a Jew or Infidel, appoints the vicar or rector of a parish. A High Church congregation is put under an Evangelical, and a set of Puritans are horrified to find themselves suddenly placed in the ghostly guardianship of a Ritualist, who expects them to go to confession before, and not to breakfast until after, communion.

The *Record* asserts that Bishop WILBERFORCE, late of Oxford, now of Winchester, "twice refused to be one of the consecrating Bishops although importuned by Mr. GLADSTONE," who should have asked him before he appointed him to his new see.

The Black country is just now fuller than usual of the *odium theologicum*. Rev. Mr. BODY who so highly distinguished himself as a preacher at the twelve days' Mission in London, on his return to his own parish in Wolverhampton, proposed to give a lecture on the work and success of the Mission. But the Protestant Party was determined that he should not be heard, and going to the lecture silenced him with cries about blessed candles, confessionals, incense, nopopery, and much noise and confusion. The Ritualist clergy proposed to hold a similar Mission to the London one in the Black country where religious and civilizing influences are much needed, but there is a violent opposition which breaks out in much abuse and hard language. One clergyman writes to the papers to denounce all sorts of revivals and revival preaching, declaring that the leading revivalists are the most immoral rascals he knows of. The *Church Times* tries to account for the violence of the Evangelical section by its continual losses.

"Day by day," it says, "the ranks are thinned in four directions. The hated Ritualists carry off large numbers of the young, who, after being trained from infancy in the straightest sect of Puritanism, and in ignorance or hate of ceremonial doings, find the air around them full of the interdicted thing, and troop in crowds to mass and confession without having ever been solicited for the purpose, having so much as interchanged a word with a Tractarian, lay or clerical. The moderate High Church party, once as bitterly opposed by Exeter Hall as the Catholics are now, has a strong attraction for another swarm from the Puritan hive. A third exodus goes off into Broad Churchmanship of one type or other, generally a rather lax variety, and a fourth, by no means inconsiderable, merges in blank infidelity. It would need a much more powerful constitution and much greater numbers than the Evangelical Party have ever possessed to bear this continuous and fourfold drain, with no corresponding accretion from any quarter as a set-off. And, as a fact, the drain is killing it, quickly and mercifully, before our very eyes."

FATHER IGNATIUS.

The Anglican Benedictine, Father IGNATIUS, preaches on Sunday nights at a music hall in Stow-street. He gave it as his opinion last Sunday night that if some of the martyred saints were to now appear in London and look for the religion in defence of which they shed their blood, they would find very little of it. "Where," he asked, "is the Christian humility professed by so many?" He had invited his hearers to come up on the platform and wash the feet of a beggar, or go and sweep a street crossing, but not a soul had accepted his invitation. No; our sweet Christian ladies do much better. They dress themselves divinely and keep stalls at charity fairs. They drive down to the toy shops in Regent-street, and buy whole armfuls of nice toys, which they carry to the Children's Hospital in Great Ormond-street. They do a hundred pretty and becoming things sweetly and gracefully, which must be much better than washing the dirty feet of beggars or sweeping the dreadful crossings of the London streets. There was a Father IGNATIUS in England a few years ago, known in the world as Hon. GEORGE SPENCER, who gave up rank and wealth to labor for the poor. There was no mistake in his humility—and his wit and fun were nearly equal to his devotion. Some of his great relations came to visit him once in his monastery, and were conducted to the kitchen, where he was engaged in picking a chicken. He welcomed them most cordially, but finished his work. Lord SPENCER met him with a carriage at a railway station when he came to visit his family once, and to his disgust saw him alight from a third-class carriage. "Oh! GEORGE," said he; "why will you ride third class?" "Because there is no fourth class," was the good-natured answer.

NEWS FROM ROME.

We continue to have immense quantities of letters from Rome. The descriptive portions are very good; the speculations on what might, could, would, or should be, are not in the least trustworthy, and not very amusing; but they supply a demand. One tells us that Rome is the dirtiest place in the world, which seems a pity when we remember some other places. One admits that a review of the Papal army was the most magnificent military spectacle he ever looked upon. The processions of the assembled Bishops are also as spectacles magnificent. The *Times* correspondent says:

"I could not tell you the varieties of hue, chiefly, of course, combinations of red and blue. Most of the vestments were new. All had white lace. You see it in the pictures of Cardinal WOLSEY. The ladies with me said the lace was beautiful. There were some remarkably splendid vestments, which I have since been told were those of the North American bishops. There were some covered with pictures of saints, embroidered in panels. Some had crimson or violet capes; some caftans; some a kind of vail, black or white; some actually a sort of turban. Some had long black beards; some snowy white. Most of them carried a large quarto rolled up in their hands."

Of a procession the correspondent of the *Standard* writes:

"The Papal choir led the way. Then came a number of consistorial advocates, followed by the chamberlains of the Court, public and private. In their wake, robed in heavy copes of white and gold, came, two and two, a long array of Bishops, Abbots, Archbishops and Patriarchs from all quarters of the globe. I began by counting them, but I found the task too tedious, and moreover, it distracted my attention from their features and costumes. Less than 600 there could not well be, all counted; and it is possible that they were more numerous still. Twenty-five minutes was the time it took for them to pass along. The splendor of their robes and mitres—the latter more in the shape of the Popes own tiara—by some of the Oriental Prelates and Abbots, is beyond all description; and the appearance even of their chaplains cast into the shade that of any European Bishop. Nor must it be supposed that they were Europeans sent to do duty among the heathen. Their features, complexion and bearing all stamped them of the true Oriental type. With happy foresight, and perhaps with a view to mark that the Church knows no distinction of race, land or tongue, these gorgeous Orientals were not massed together, but flashed upon one with their dazzling robes at due intervals. I am bound to say that, taking the Roman Catholic Episcopate in their entirety as I saw them this morning, they form a handsome, impressive body of men, and the number of them who are in the full vigor of life is remarkable. There was no more noticeable countenance among them all than that of him who was once an Archdeacon, honored and beloved in the Anglican Communion, and is now a shining light in the Roman Catholic Church, and Archdeacon of the important See of Westminster. I looked for his spare form and keen ascetic face, and at last I saw it coming up the nave. Side by side with Dr. MANNING walked Monseigneur DE MERODE; and as I saw these two ardent, uncompromising militant Prelates together, I thought that they were well bracketed. When Dr. MANNING had passed, I knew that there would be but few steps to Archbishops to follow—for a high place of honor is always assigned him at Rome, and at Rome who comes last is first in estimation. I proved right in my speculations, for close at his heels came the College of Cardinals. The youngest, and perhaps the most noticeable among them all, was Cardinal BONAPARTE, who owes his hat to an all-potent cousin. Scarcely had the eye fallen on the unmistakable figure of ANTONELLI than the front rank of the dense crowd dropped on its knees—the hinder ranks could not, they were so closely packed, for PIUS IX., his face radiant with supreme happiness, was dealing right and left his Pontifical blessing."

Not willing to be outdone, the correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* gives a vivid account of the opening of the Council:

"His Holiness looked exceedingly well and happy; his voice was as clear and tuneful as when I last heard it, two years ago; and he has decidedly grown stouter within the same period. As soon as his short function had terminated, he moved towards the hall, stepping slowly but firmly along with folded hands, and casting piercing glances on the bystanders nearest to him. Four officials—I cannot say of what rank—bore up his magnificent white robes, and the triple crown was carried on a velvet cushion before him. Meanwhile, the Bishops had been ranging themselves along the green benches of the Council Chamber; and, when His Holiness mounted the dais and sate down in the Papal throne, they also assumed their seats. Preliminary prayer was then offered up by a Cardinal, the Pope rising and kneeling, being crowned and uncrowned, alternately, for a few minutes, after which he appeared to take definitive possession of his throne, and gave the signal that the prelates should be covered by putting on his tiara, flashing with costly gems. This moment afforded the most striking spectacle of the whole ceremony: as if by word of command, the 600 occupants of the Council benches put on their snow-white linen mitres, and, folding their hands, sat back in their luxurious stalls. They looked like rows of enormous white flowers, planted in curved beds of velvety green moss. Nothing could be more chaste and charming than the tableau presented by the Council at this hour of its opening session."

The English Government, as the first naval Power in the world, has no sooner begun the construction of the strongest war steamers yet built, than an Austrian naval officer, with the aid of an English engineer, has made a swimming torpedo which renders them of no more value than an old-fashioned frigate. This torpedo is shaped like a sword fish, is propelled with great swiftness under water by compressed air, either in strait lines or curves, and, charged with dynamite or nitro-glycerine, shatters every vessel with which it comes in contact. There is a rumor of general disarmament. A few inventions of this sort will make any effective armaments impossible. We need only a good flying machine, to destroy fortifications on shore, and all war is ended. Science conquers the world.

THEATRICAL EVENT.

CHARLES MATHEWS, the comedian—one can hardly speak of such an airy juvenile as a veteran—is going to Australia with his Yankee wife, and is to have a very grand complimentary farewell benefit at the Covent Garden Italian Opera House on the 4th of January, 1870, at which everything is to be performed by everybody best worth seeing in London. For example, at 1 o'clock a scene from "The Willow Copse," by Mr. WEBSTER and the Adelphi company; a scene from "School," Miss MARIA WILTON and the Prince of Wales company; scene from "Lady of Lyons," Mr. BARRY SULLIVAN and Holborn company; scene from "Not Such a Fool as He Seems," J. H. BYRON and new Queen's company; scene from "The House On the Bridge," Mme. CELESTE; scene from "The Toodles," Mr. J. S. CLARKE and Strand company; the second act of "The Critic," with Mr. CHARLES MATHEWS as *Puff*, supported by all the leading comedians in London; parting speech by Mr. MATHEWS; "Jenny Lind at Last," Mrs. JOHN WOOD and St. James company; "Flying Dutchman," Miss OLIVER and new Royalty company. This is merely to make your ears itch and your mouth water, and to give you a realizing sense of what can be gathered together on a dull afternoon in London.

THE RURAL DISTRICTS.

The reports issued from time to time of the condition of the laboring population in the rural districts give curious glimpses of English country life, some very pretty ones, some not. Within two miles of Evesham, a lovely town in Worcestershire, there are three thousand acres of gardens devoted chiefly to the cultivation of currants and gooseberries; and the picking of these berries employs for a time men, women and children, much as the vinters do in the sunnier climes across the channel. Each basket gives a little metal token to the picker, and these he can exchange for cash at pleasure, so there are no accounts. There are huts to shelter the hands in wet weather, and a plentiful supply of tea. A family of four persons will earn about 5*s.* a day. In the busiest times they pick seven or seven and a half tons of currants a day, besides the gooseberries, employing 300 women and children to pick, with men to carry off the heavy baskets. Men are too clumsy to pick, and do not like it. The annual hop picking in Worcestershire is a saturnalia of labor, as in Kent. Men and women, boys and girls come from the black country towns, as their betters go to the seaside, for an outing, and they camp in barns and sheds in a pretty promiscuous fashion, with romping and roystering, and such language and manners as are not taught in Sunday Schools. A clergyman says:

"The farmers do not, perhaps cannot, make adequate provision for housing this accidental supply of labor. Barns and outhouses are converted into temporary and very promiscuous sleeping rooms. The hop crib is the scene of romp and ribaldry, and though a few local families may pursue their work decently and quietly, generally a parish catches the fever, and everything is upset for the three or four weeks during which the work of picking lasts. The whole family ordinarily goes into the hop garden. It is task work, that is, paid by result not by time, and little fingers can pick something, and fingers too small to pick are too small to be left at home, and the home is left too early to send them to school. Every kind of ill finds a very strong forcing house in the hop gardens, among which I should place as not the least the callousness to those ills begotten or indurated thereby in the mind of the employer."

EVILS OF CIDER.

The special evil of this beautiful part of England is its orchards. In May, all Worcestershire and Herefordshire is one garden of apple blossoms. Seen from the summits of the Malvern Hills the whole landscape for twenty miles around is one glory of rosy bloom, and the air all one sweetest odor. But see what comes of it. The apple was the bane of Eden; in this Eden of England they make cider of it, and get fuddled on that. The Report of the Commissioners says:

"'At Bransford cider is given to laborers all the year round, two or three quarts in Winter, sometimes as much as six in Summer.' In haytime and harvest the supply is unlimited, and 'they usually drink five or six quarts a day then.' This is certainly a fair allowance, but Mr. DRINKWATER, of Hanley Castle, has known a man cutting beans drink sixteen quarts a day! Men, women and boys all alike indulge in the seductive beverage. A woman's allowance is one quart in Winter and two in Summer, and boys 'begin with one quart a day. 'It makes old men of them,' says Mr. DRINKWATER, 'before they are young, and prevents them from obtaining many comforts which they might procure if they had the value of their drink in money.' In Madresfield, according to Rev. Mr. MUNN, 'the men, even during the hay week, get drunk by the middle of the day, go to sleep under the hedges, and only do half a day's work;' and the same complaint is made in other districts of the county. The results of this excessive indulgence, whether on the mental or physical constitution, are deplorable. Rev. Mr. MELVILLE testifies that a sort of impotent fuddle of mind and character is the normal state of habitual cider-drinkers. Think,' he continues, 'of a very cheap thin beverage, provoking thirst it seems to allay, not thoroughly stupefying or intoxicating till gallons on gallons are consumed, but working effects mental and physical of which its own washy and cheerless characteristics are typical, and any one can see at once what an instrument of degradation it must be.' Hitherto attempts to induce a laborer to take the value of his allowance of drink in money has failed, sometimes because the man is afraid of offending his fellow laborers, but oftener because he prefers the cider to the money. If,' says Rev. Mr. MELVILLE, 'one of the great difficulties in solving the educational, social, and economic problems of agricultural labor consists in the hopeless circle within which the conditions of those problems return upon themselves, a cider-consuming district presents that difficulty in most formidable proportions.' The same gentleman elsewhere remarks that where cider is the local beverage the chance of ameliorating the condition of the laborer through the operation of natural laws 'seems well nigh desperate.'

I am inclined to think that the ancestors of some people I used to know in New-England must have emigrated from Worcestershire.

In France, Spain and Italy wine is as plentiful as cider in any part of England, and beer everywhere; but I see no such complaints about it. There is a large increase in the import of the light erwines into England—French, German and Hungarian,—but their consumption does not reach the lower classes, and the proportion of wine to other liquors is not a large one.

"Out of 182 pints of strong drink consumed per head per annum in England, only four are wine. In France, out of 176 per head per annum, no less than 153 are wine—the difference in each case being made up of beer and spirits."

Cider, or cyder, as it is spelled here, seems to be of no account in these statistics.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE ARISTOCRACY.

Two of our youthful nobility have been distinguishing themselves this week. Lord ALBERT PELHAM CLINTON has won a wager of £50 by walking ten miles in two hours, in the presence of a select circle of friends, at Hackney Wick. The *Court Journal* admits that he had "no pretensions to style, his feet coming down flat and heavily at every stride," but he walked the distance within three minutes of the prescribed time. "Loud cheers greeted the pedestrian at the termination of the feat, which was accomplished solely by great gameness."

Lord WILLIAM BERESFORD, of the Ninth Lancers, a brother of the Marquis of WATERFORD, has been before the Wandsworth Police Court, and fined £5 for getting into a row at a bar house at midnight, fighting the company and assaulting a policeman; but this sort of thing runs in the family.

WOMAN.

I am much interested in the reports of the debates at the female suffrage meetings in New-York, but our fair countrywomen cannot easily get ahead of Englishwomen either in freedom of discussion or energy of action.

It is announced by the *Medical Circular* that an association of ladies has been formed to oppose the extension of the Contagious Diseases act (1866) to the civil population. Miss H. MARTINEAU and Miss FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE are members of the association, and strongly disapprove of the extension of the act. It was thought that this matter might be quietly got through, chiefly by the doctors, without much being said about it in Parliament or by the Press; but the ladies will not have it so. They have taken the alarm, and raised a strong opposition, expressing their opinions, or rather their feelings of indignation, in no measured terms—in such terms, indeed, as I can only in this vague way allude to. But an opposition, led by Miss HARRIET MARTINEAU and Miss FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE, is likely to be strongly supported, and cannot easily be overcome. Perhaps a general excitement and discussion on this matter of social evil has been in some measure prepared for by the Byron scandal; and it may be that all the old-fashioned—and not so very old, either—British squeamishness is to be laid aside, and all subjects are to be discussed, as the only way to the needed reforms.

THE WELSH FASTING GIRL.

In the case of the Welsh fasting girl, who died in the cave and under the eyes of the doctors and four nurses from Guy's Hospital, an inquest has been held, and the verdict returned that she was starved to death by the negligence of her father in not inducing her to take food. The father was accordingly charged with the crime of manslaughter, but admitted to bail; but as the girl was at the time of her death entirely in the hands of the doctors and nurses, the general opinion is that they are answerable.

PERSONAL.

Rev. Canon CHARLES KINGSLEY has sailed away to the West Indies, and when he returns in the Spring, he will tell us in *Good Words* what he thinks of them—of the independence of Cuba, if he can find it, the freedom of Hayti, and the prosperity of Jamaica; and a living and delightful book he is sure to give us, whatever he finds or fails to find in his tropical holiday; and so I wish him a merry Christmas, and one happy return; and to all my readers I send all good wishes and compliments of the season unlimited.

MONADNOCK.

AFFAIRS IN SPAIN.

Reorganization of the Republican Party—Interesting Debates in the Cortes—Interpellations to the Ministry—The New Law on Civil Marriage—The Question of the Crown Jewels—Cuban Matters.

From Our Own Correspondent.

MADRID, Monday, Dec. 20, 1869.

The Republican Party is in a fair way of reorganization. They have again established their clubs and their central administration, from which are sent instructions to the capitals of provinces, whilst the committees at the latter direct the movements of the districts, and are in constant communication with every hamlet and village. Persevering and indefatigable in their propaganda, they have understood that the division between military and federative Republicans would make them lose ground; this difference has disappeared, and a general rising may be expected on the very day when a monarch, no matter who he be, comes to don the insignia of a Spanish Sovereign. Señor CASTELAR'S protest, in the name of his party, against the criminal acts committed at Walls and Utrera, has produced an excellent effect. If Señors FIGUEROS, CASTELAR, SORNI and GARCIA LOPEZ enjoy sufficient influence to restrain the impatience of the Republican Party so as to induce them to seek for the triumph of their ideas only by means legal and pacific, by persuasion, by the education of the people, the masses in all the provinces will join their cause in the end. Spain, though far behind on the subject of national education, (by reason of the indolent disposition of the people,) commences to understand the necessity of a measure tending to enlighten the minds of the masses so as to come up with modern civilization and progress.

The Carlists are not losing any time. They are also completing their organizations. The Monarchists without a monarch will have to wait a long time yet before a head is found to wear the Spanish crown, plentifully studded as it is with thorns in the absence of jewels. General PRIM is in a very precarious position. The majority of the Progressists indulge in the hope that some pretext or other will be found to use energetic measures and bring affairs to a satisfactory issue; but there are four parties ready to rise against the fifth, which latter could triumph, not by the consent of the Chamber and the country, but only by success of arms.

INTERESTING DEBATES IN THE CORTES.

The Republican Deputies fought a last battle against the Ministry before the adjournment of the Cortes. Several interpellations were addressed to the Minister of the Interior at the opening of the last sitting on the subject of the dismissal of Republican municipal authorities and the substitution for them of persons chosen by the Minister of the Interior, this manner of procedure being contrary to the law stipulating that Mayors and municipal councilors shall be elected by universal suffrage. The Minister replied that the Government would not allow any of the municipal officers dismissed by the military authorities on account of direct or indirect participation in the federative insurrection to reoccupy their offices, but that new municipal authorities should be chosen before the elections of Deputies in January next. It stands to reason that on the eve of the elections of forty-five or fifty Deputies, whose support is indispensable for the success of the Italian candidature, the Government should be opposed to the election by universal suffrage of the municipal authorities who might support the cause of the Republicans, and thus aid in sending Republican Deputies to the Cortes. The Republican municipal authorities at Cadiz, Malaga and Seville have been replaced by others of a monarchical tendency. Señor SAGASTA also replied to another interpellation relating to the disarming of the National Guard in the cities where the federative insurrection occurred. He said that the Government would never give them back their guns, as they had used them in rebellion against the authorities and the decisions of the Cortes.

THE MONARCHICAL CLAUSE IN THE CONSTITUTION.

Señor GARCIA RUIZ, Unitary Republican, has presented to the Cortes a petition, signed by 1,500 Republicans of Old Castile, asking for a revision by the Chamber of article 33 of the Constitution of 1869, which stipulates that monarchy shall be the form of the Spanish Government.

IMPEACHMENT OF THE GOVERNMENT.

On Saturday last, Señor CASTELAR questioned the Ministry on the subject of their home and foreign policy. Señor SAGASTA, Minister of the Interior, replied to him, and the Republican orator profited by the opportunity to occupy the attention of the House with a long speech against the Ministry and in defence of the attitude and acts of the Republicans during the late insurrection. He quoted Roman history to prove that insurgents at all times had committed excesses, but he asserted that if the conduct of the insurrents in October last had been illegal, the Government was by far the more guilty, as it had used the authority given to it by law in an illegal manner; he cited, especially, the ott-spoken-of dismissal of the municipal authorities. He said that if the Cortes sanctioned such excesses, they would lose their prerogatives and their dignity. He then spoke against the Italian candidature, saying that Spain did not wish for a monarch, and still less for the present "monarchy *ad interim*." He concluded by expressing his desire for a republic, be it unitary or federative, and said that this was the form of government necessary for the prosperity of the country.

General PRIM replied to the eloquent tribune of the Republican Party, saying that the Government, according to the letter of the Constitution, desired the monarchy, and that he had found a candidate who was looked upon favorably by the majority of the House, namely, the Duke of GENOA. This assertion excited laughter in the Cortes. The General declared, further, that he hoped soon to see a king ruling Spain, in spite of the ill-will of Señor CASTELAR and his friends; and that Spain was not the only country where difficulties had been encountered in the constitution of a monarchical government. He would never consent to a republic.

Señor FIGUEROS then addressed the House, charging the Ministry with illegal acts committed during the state of siege. The Republican orator brought forward arguments identical with those of Señor CASTELAR, adding that the election of Deputies in January next, and that of a monarch, (if such election should happen to be successful,) would be illegal and void, if the municipalities dismissed by the Ministry were not allowed to resume their functions.

The Minister of the Interior replied, employing the usual arguments of the dictatorship and the stereotyped phrases used by most European Governments when they desire to palliate outrages committed by them on the rights of man. Extensive reference was made to the necessity of energetic action to save society from anarchy.

THE NEW LAW ON CIVIL MARRIAGE.

In a previous sitting, the Minister of the Interior had presented to the Cortes divers projects of laws that public opinion had a long time clamored for. The Minister now proposed to the Cortes the substitution of civil for religious marriage, the revision of the civil code and of the civil and criminal procedure acts, and the adoption of the right of appeal in criminal cases, which is not yet part of the law of Spain. He also promised to present to the House, in January next, a project of law relating to the registers kept by the clergy, which are thenceforth to remain in charge of the Mayors. I must not forget to tell you that the project of law on civil marriage conveys the right of matrimony to boys of 14 and girls of 12 years of age, if they have the consent of their parents or guardians. This will not surprise you when I state that girls in Andalusia are considered full grown at 10 years, and many of them are mothers at the age of 12. The Spanish Penal code makes chidren of 8 years of age responsible for crimes committed.

THE QUESTION OF THE CROWN JEWELS.

The question of the Crown jewels is at present the subject of an inquiry on the part of a Commission appointed by the Cortes. Señor FIGUEROLA supported his charges so vigorously that the House could not help coming to this decision. The Minister of Finance said in a previous sitting that his charges may be hard on the two ex-Queens, but that he claimed the right of using the words of MARIA CHRISTINA, who had said in a letter written by her in 1829 to Señor CALVET, the executor of FERDINAND VII.'s last will and testament, "As to the jewels, you know very well that the French have *stolen* them." He denied the right of a Bourbon to call a Bonaparte a thief, and he was applauded for the assertion. Encouraged by this expression of the House he said further, that this coarse appellation used by the ex-Queen mother could be employed very properly by Spaniards against MARIA CHRISTINA of Bourbon. He further declared that even admitting that the French had carried off jewels worth 22,000,000, as the partisans of the ex-Queen asserted, there remained still about 80,000,000 worth that had disappeared after the death of FERDINAND VII., together with all documents relating thereto. He said there had been found a declaration of the keeper of the Crown jewels to the effect that MARIA CHRISTINA had retained in her possession the keys of safes in which the jewels were kept. When that lady left Spain, said the Minister, the keys were found, but the cases were empty. He also called to mind that already, in 1840, a judgment of the Civil Court of Madrid had ordered MARIA CHRISTINA to return the jewels she had carried off. Señor OLOZAGA had been charged to claim them from her at the time, but she had only given back 43,000,000 worth two years afterwards to her daughter, who carried them off in her turn, so that the Spanish Crown at present is no richer by the transaction.

NIGHT ATTACKS.

Señor SALAVERRIA, ex-Minister of Finance, was attacked at 8 o'clock in the evening on Sunday, as he was going to a *café*, by a former General Tax Collector, Señor RIVADERREIRA, and received two dagger thrusts, one in the abdomen and one in the breast. His wounds are not mortal. The would-be assassin is in prison. A Deputy was attacked while going home by two malefactors, who, poignard in hand, ordered him to give them all the money he had about him. He gave them about $25, and regained his domicil without losing his watch, that was worth considerably more. The robbers have not yet been arrested. The director of the Varieties Theatre was also stabbed on the same evening, in his office, by three men who had bought false tickets. The authorities are on the lookout for the criminals.

CUBAN AFFAIRS.

The news brought from Cuba by the last mail is of very serious import. The negroes on fifteen large plantations in the district of Sagua la Grande had risen in rebellion, and on the 30th of November the military were shooting all who could be caught. Nobody here believes in the hopeful statements of the semi-official journals, since facts continually belie their assertions. The Spanish Treasury being perfectly exhausted, the Government can send no money to Cuba, and General CABALLERO DE RODAS has to borrow six millions of piastres from the Havana merchants to provide for the war expenses. The news that the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives would treat the Cuban question after Christmas, caused much excitement in this City.

Daring Robbery in Virginia—A Son Assists in Robbing his Father, Threatening his Mother with Death.

From the Lynchburg (Va.) News.

We learn that on the night of the 31st of December last the house of Mr. GEORGE SHEPHERD, in Russell County, was visited by three men in disguise, who demanded of Mrs. SHEPHERD that she deliver to them the money known to be in her possession. She resisted the demand for some time, and used every entreaty to induce the ruffians to leave the house, but they refused to go, and finally knocked her down, and threatened to kill her if she did not give them the money. Seeing the robbers prepare to put their threat into execution, and in order to save her life, Mrs. SHEPHERD gave up the money, about $1,000, and the scoundrels immediately left without proceeding to further violence. The money was the price of a tract of land recently sold by Mr. SHEPHERD, who was absent from home at the time of the robbery. Two of the party were recognized by Mrs. SHEPHERD, and warrants were issued for their arrest, but they had not been found at last accounts. One of these parties is Mr. SHEPHERD'S own son. The names of the other two have not been reported to us.

GENERAL TELEGRAMS.

CUBA.

The Steamer "El Rayo"—Rumored Purchase of the Vessel by the Insurgents—The Situation on Both Sides—The Proclamation of Captain de Rodas.

HAVANA, Jan. 9.—The Spanish frigate *Gerona* will soon sail for Venezuela for the purpose of watching the steamer *El Rayo*. The *El Rayo* was formerly the *R. R. Cuyler*, and was sold by citizens of the United States to the Colombian Government. A rumor prevails that she has been sold to the Cuban insurgents. The *Gerona* will also look after Spanish interests in that quarter....The *Voz de Cuba* publishes an article on the Spanish Dictatorship, in which the writer says that the elevation of Marshal SERRANO to the position of Dictator would be unnecessary and untimely.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The Administration has taken no recent action on the affairs of Cuba, nor is it known that any is contemplated. Such official, though meagre accounts, as have been received, show that both the Spaniards and the Cubans exaggerate their respective strength and positions, while the truth is represented to be that a regiment of Spanish troops can march to any town or locality, subject only to annoyances occasionally of small bodies of insurgents.... The following dispatch was yesterday received in Washington direct from Havana:

The *Gazette*, the official organ of the Government, published on the 6th inst., an important proclamation of the Captain-General, intended to define the present situation of the island. The Captain-General congratulates the country upon its actual prosperity. "New troops and reinforcements, although not needed to suppress the insurrection, have come from Spain to fulfill its obligations towards Cuba, and to protect the island against murderers and robbers." He then refers to the threats of homicide and incendiarism made by certain bands of men, against which precautions are now being taken in garrisoning plantations with troops and civil guards to save them from destruction. Men-of-war have also been sent from Spain to Cuba with the intent to cruise along her coasts and to prevent the landing on the island of filibustering expeditions coming from outside. The Captain-General says that there was never before in the island such a state of affairs as could be considered as a state of war; but now peace has been so fully reëstablished that there is no place in the island where the administration of public affairs or the action of the civil Courts is not entirely recognized.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Jan. 9.—No action has been taken by the United States Court in the case of the alleged Cuban steamer *Anna*, now in possession of the United States authorities. A motion to vacate the warrant of arrest will be made to-morrow.

BILLIARDS.

A Close Game Between Deery and Dion in San Francisco—Deery the Winner by 1,500 to 1,492.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 9.—The great billiard match between Messrs. DEERY and DION, for the champion diamond cue and $1,000, took place last night at Mechanics' Pavillion before a large audience. The excitement among billiardists for several days past showed that the game would be closely contested, and consequently but little odds were offered, although DION appeared to be the favorite. The following is the score:

DEERY.—0, 20, 7, 0, 24, 6, 0, 0, 0, 6, 9, 19, 0, 30, 9, 12, 0, 0, 3, 3, 3, 9, 0, 6, 21, 0, 80, 7, 3, 67, 12, 36, 0, 3, 15, 3, 0, 15, 21, 30, 27, 1, 0, 36, 12, 42, 3, 36, 18, 6, 0, 6, 0, 3, 0, 9, 16, 0, 0, 6, 130, 2, 3, 9, 0, 51, 3, 20, 7, 102, 60, 6, 3, 6, 1, 3, 6, 36, 36, 3, 0, 1, 3, 6, 0, 18, 9, 45, 18, 0, 3, 0, 3, 3, 3, 3, 9, 177, 12. Total, 1,500.

DION.—6, 3, 3, 6, 3, 40, 8, 0, 0, 20, 4, 15, 3, 3, 40, 42, 0, 30, 27, 24, 6, 9, 1, 9, 3, 3, 30, 6, 6, 12, 3, 21, 6, 6, 0, 27, 6, 0, 45, 18, 0, 0, 3, 9, 33, 0, 60, 4, 3, 1, 3, 108, 3, 80, 7, 3, 6, 1, 78, 18, 9, 27, 27, 3, 9, 3, 12, 33, 3, 9, 3, 3, 3, 3, 0, 3, 3, 12, 3, 46, 0, 15, 30, 3, 0, 3, 66, 3, 6, 0, 12, 156, 0, 1, 9, 30, 18, 18. Total, 1,492.

At the ninety-eighth inning DEERY made his greatest run, and pocketed his ball; DION missed. DEERY then run the game out. The result was hailed by enthusiastic cheering by the thousands present. The game was played cautiously, neither player taking doubtful chances, but invariably shooting his ball into the pocket. DEERY retains possession of the diamond cue and wins the $1,000. The game commenced at 8:20 P. M. and ended at 1:10 A. M.

FIRES.

Incendiarism in Indianapolis—Fires in Other Cities.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 9.—A fire broke out last night in Willis block, on Pennsylvania-street. PHYPP BROTHERS, jewelers, and the Empire Sewing Machine Company were the principal sufferers by water. Their loss is not large. The damage to the building is small.

MEMPHIS, Jan. 9.—An incendiary fire last night destroyed the store of CARROL & CO., in Front-row. Loss $10,000; fully insured in local companies.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 9.—The cabinet factory of ALFRED HONER, in the northern part of the city, was destroyed by fire to-day. Loss $30,000; partially insured.

THE TELEGRAPHERS.

The Strike—Action of the Memphis Printers—A Refusal to Strike.

MEMPHIS, Jan. 9.—The Memphis Typographical Union to-day passed resolutions that, while they sympathize with the telegraph strikers, they decline to adopt the suggestion of the Nashville Union to assist them by refusing to set up dispatches for the Press. ....The telegraph operators here refused to strike. New-Orleans is the only city south of here where the strike exists. Operators from here and other points have gone there to take the places of the strikers.

A Card from the Operators.

NEW-YORK, Sunday, Jan. 9, 1870.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The exparte statements regarding the Telegraphers' strike and the causes which led thereto, which have been made by the Western Union Telegraph Company and published all over the country through the medium of the Associated Press, have greatly misrepresented the true facts in the case. The assertion in many of this morning's papers that members of our ranks were deserting, although partially true, was grossly exaggerated. The truth is simply this

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

LECTURES ON THE HISTORY OF THE JEWISH CHURCH. Parts I. and II. By ARTHUR PERRYN STANLEY, D. D., Regius Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the University of Oxford, and Canon of Christ Church. With Maps and Plans. New-York: CHARLES SCRIBNER & Co.

The first volume of Dean STANLEY'S *History of the Jewish Church* has now been before the public nearly eight years, and meanwhile every year has added to his fame, and made him more and more a leader in the Church of England. In this country his works have been as much read as in Great Britain, and the publishers have met a decided demand in issuing a new and cheaper edition for the purpose of popularising books which are of use and interest, not only to students and divines, but also to all who have a taste for literature or a desire for accurate acquaintance with a most important branch of history. This *History of the Jewish Church*, thus far completed, from the time of Abraham to the Captivity, is presented in the form of lectures delivered at Oxford to candidates for Holy Orders. In his previous volume of lectures upon the *History of the Eastern Church*, the author had announced the plan upon which the present volumes proceed. There he had fixed the beginning of ecclesiastical history at the call of Abraham, in this eloquent passage:

"Far in the dim distance of primeval ages is discerned the first figure in the long succession which has never since been broken—in Uz, of the Chaldees, the patriarch chief, followed by his train of slaves and retainers, surrounded by his herds of camels and asses, moving westward and southward, he knew not whither—the first Father of the universal Church—Abraham the founder of the chosen people, the father of the faithful, whose seed was to be as the sand upon the seashore, as the stars for multitude. Earlier manifestations there had been of faith and hope; in other countries also than Mesopotamia or Palestine, there were yearnings after a higher world. But the call of Abraham is the first beginning of a continuous growth; in his character, in his migration, in his faith, was bound up, as the Christian apostle well describes, all that has since formed the substance and fibre of the history of the Church."

The history of the Jewish Church is held to be the true beginning and prototype of the Christian Church, and doubtless such a relationship exists between the two, as in a religious point of view to make their separation impossible. The vitality and power of the Christian Church is derived from the life of its founder, and his life was the culmination, the explanation, the fulfillment of the previous history of the children of Israel. From a philosophical standpoint, also, it is manifestly impossible to understand the history of religious thought in Europe and America without making due allowance for the great influence which the sacred literature of the Jews has had in moulding and modifying it.

The *History of the Jewish Church* has, however, a completeness in itself which gives it a special interest, and this point has been well understood by DEAN STANLEY. In the introductory lectures upon ecclesiastical history, already alluded to, he has said:

"So far from being exempt from the laws of gradual progress and development to which the history of other nations is subject, the history of the Jewish nation is the most remarkable exemplification of those laws. In no people does the history move forward in so regular a course, through beginning, middle and end, as in the people of Israel. In none are the beginning, middle and end so clearly distinguished, each from each. In none has the beginning so natural and so impressive a preparation as that formed by the age of the Patriarchs. In none do the various stages of the history so visibly lead the way to the consummation which however truly it may be regarded as the opening of a new order, is yet no less truly the end of the old, and never does the final consummation more touchingly linger in the close, more solemnly break away into new forms and new life, than in the last traces of the effects of the Jewish race upon the apostolic age."

In accordance with this idea, the *History of the Jewish Church* is divided into three great periods, with appropriate subdivisions, each marked by its own specific features, and each terminated by a single catastrophe.

The First Period begins with the Exodus, though its preparatory stage reaches back into the Patriarchal age. It includes the wanderings in the wilderness, the invasion, conquest and settlement of Palestine, and ends with the destruction of the sanctuary at Shiloh and the erection of the Monarchy. This period has been generally known as the "Theocracy," on account of the nearness of the Divine Ruler to the chosen people. Dr. STANLEY objects to such a designation upon the ground that the entire Government of the Jewish nation was theocratic, and though the form was changed, yet God himself was the real ruler in the time of Moses, the Judges, the Kings, and the Prophets, alike. There is, however, a fitness in the distinction which cannot fail to commend it to many minds. The first period embraces the establishment of religion by Moses and Aaron in obedience to Divine revelations, and the founding of the Jewish Church and Commonwealth.

Among the many characters whose lives are given in this period, Abraham, Moses and Samuel rise preëminent, and their biographies form perhaps the most pleasing portions of the work. In them all the author's wealth of Biblical learning and criticism, and the fruits of personal observation in the lands of Egypt, Palestine and Syria, under the most favorable circumstances, are spread out for the instruction and delight of the reader, in a style which is ornate but not overloaded, and captivating without exaggeration.

The Second Period covers the whole history of the Monarchy, beginning with the close of the rule of the Judges, including the empire of David and Solomon, then following each branch of the divided kingdom, until the overthrow of Jerusalem and the Temple by the Chaldean armies brings the closing catastrophe. Through this period the Jewish Church and religion is developed, the prophetic order rises into prominence and influence, and the Tribe of Judah becomes great and powerful. The Third Period, from the exile and return to the final destruction of Jerusalem and the extinction of national independence in the war of Hadrian, has not yet been published.

This history is not written in blind subserviency to the canonical books of Scripture, and to liberal and catholic readers this will be the great charm of the work. It aims not to support a system or sustain a creed, but to reproduce the life of a wonderful people with all the detail with which it is capable. It aims, in Dr. STANLEY'S words, to

"Recall Abraham resting under the oak of Mamre; Joseph amidst the Egyptian monuments; Moses under the cliffs of Horeb; Joshua brandishing his outstretched spear; Samuel amidst his youthful scholars; David surrounded by his court and camp; Solomon in his Eastern state; the wild, romantic, solitary figure of the great Elijah; the goodly fellowship of gifted seers lifting up their strains of joy or sorrow, like some great tragic chorus, as kingdom after kingdom falls to ruin, as hope after hope dies and is revived again; to represent in all their distinctness the several stages of the history, in its steady onward advance from Egypt to Sinai, from Sinai to the Jordan, from the Jordan to Jerusalem, from the law to the Judges, from the Judges to the Monarchy, from the Monarchy to the Prophets, and from the Prophets to the great event to which not the Prophets only, but the yearnings of the whole nation had for ages borne witness."

It presents these characters and scenes not as myths illustrative of religious ideas, nor yet as personages and occasions too sacred for literary criticism and discussion, but in the true spirit of an earnest and philosophical historian, who still does not desire to efface the distinction which good taste no less than reverence will always endeavor to preserve between the Jewish and other histories. There is little in common, except the theme, between the late Dean MILMAN'S *History of the Jews* and STANLEY'S *History of the Jewish Church*, but the author acknowledges his indebtedness to EWALD, whom he justly styles "the first Biblical scholar in Europe," for the aid which he had derived in preparing these lectures, from EWALD'S *"History of the People of Israel*, a work as powerful in its general conception as it is saturated with learning down to its minutest details." Those who have, with us, derived much pleasure and profit from the perusal of these lectures, will eagerly anticipate the publication of the volume which is to complete the series.

A COMMENTARY ON THE HOLY SCRIPTURES: Critical, Doctrinal and Homiletical, with Special Reference to Ministers and Students. By JOHN PETER LANGE, D. D. Translated from the German, and edited, with Additions, by PHILIP SCHAFF, D. D. The Proverbs of Solomon; Ecclesiastes; Song of Solomon. New-York: CHARLES SCRIBNER & Co.

This new volume of a commentary whose reputation is already established, is worthy of its predecessors. Dr. SCHAFF has committed the translation and editorial labor of these books of the Old Testament to able scholars, and the result is very satisfactory. The Book of Proverbs is translated and edited by Rev. CHARLES AIKEN, D. D., who has recently been elected President of Union College, and who previous to this election had been distinguished as Professor of Latin in Princeton College. The introductory essays are of great value. Of the set here are no less than twenty-five, under two general heads, treating of the philosophy of the Old Testament in general in its relation to the philosophy of other nations, the ethical significance of the Book of Proverbs, the age of Solomon, the golden age of Hebrew literature, the literature of wisdom before and after Solomon, the origin and collection of the Proverbs, their poetical form, dogmatic substance, and kindred topics. Much has been added also to the notes, both grammatical and explanatory, of the German editor. The most interesting portion of this volume, however, is the book of Ecclesiastes, which was originally prepared by Dr. OTTO ZOCKLER, translated by Professor WELLS, of Union College, and is now edited with annotations and dissertations upon leading ideas in the book, by Dr. TAYLER LEWIS. He has made a metrical version of the text, and analyzed it with great skill. His idea of the book is, that it is the utterance of a bewildered, questioning, struggling soul, perplexed with doubt, yet holding fast to certain great and fundamental truths. In his oft-repeated cry that "all beneath the sun is vanity," there is throughout a pointing to something above the sun, above nature, above the flowing world of time, to that "work of God" which he says is "for the eternal." All here, when viewed in itself is vanity, but beyond, above, is *the real:* and this reality will at last be evident to those who "fear God and keep his commandments." Professor LEWIS holds to the Solomonic authorship of the book, and his arguments for this view are cogent and weighty. The Song of Solomon has been presented in this American edition by Dr. W. H. GREEN, Professor of Oriental and Old Testament literature in the Theological Seminary at Princeton, N. J., and the introduction to the commentary is a labored and learned essay upon the interpretation of the Song of Solomon. The song is regarded as a poetical exhibition of the sacred joys and chaste delights of conjugal life, intended also to be typical of the Lord's relation to his people. The grossly literal and the extreme allegorical interpretations are both discarded. Dr. GREEN'S essay is a careful and valuable contribution to exegetical literature.

THE WISE MEN: WHO THEY WERE, AND HOW THEY CAME TO JERUSALEM. By FRANCIS W. UPHAM, LL. D. New-York: SHELDON & Co.

Professor UPHAM'S book was at least well-timed in its publication, coming as it did when Christmas carols were filling the air, and Christmas celebrations were reminding all of the advent of the Babe of Bethlehem, to whom the "Wise Men brought their tribute of gold, frankincense and myrrh." It is, moreover, a very interesting discussion of the whole subject of the nativity and errand of these visitors to the infant Saviour. The conclusion reached is, that these "wise men" were Magi from Persia, who believed that the God of Heaven intervened in the affairs of men, and that Ormazd, who thus ruled, would in due time send prophets to work wonders for the Kingdom of Light, (their religion was in part fire worship,) and that the last of these prophets would destroy the power of Darkness; also, that among the Persian "Magi" was a Hebrew prophet, who knew the predictions concerning Christ, and the sign of the star—and that in obedience to these predictions the "three Kings of Orient" journeyed from Babylonia to Jerusalem and proclaimed there that they had seen the star of the King of the Jews. The author adds, that "in these few strangers in Bethlehem the Church sees the prophetic types and prophecy of the many, who, after them, were to come from every nation under heaven; and thus viewed, their presence is a sign that, disclosing its significance afterwards, authenticates that presence by proving there was in it something Divine."

Books Received.

—MOORE, WILSTACH & MOORE, Cincinnati. 1870. *A Helping Hand for Town and Country.* An American Home Book of Practical and Scientific Information. By LYMAN C. DRAPER, Secretary Wisconsin Historical Society, and W. A. CROFFUT, author of the *History of Connecticut*, &c. Introduction by HORACE GREELEY. 200 illustrations.

—MACMILLAN & Co., London. 1869. *Stories for my Children.* By E. H. KNATCHBULL-HUGESSEN, M. P.

—*Demorest's Young America.* Boys and Girls' Magazine. November, 1868, to October, 1869.

—*Demorest's Illustrated Monthly.* Vol. VI. 1869.

—T. B. PETERSON & BROS., Philadelphia. *Marcus Warland; or The Long Moss Spring.* By Mrs. CAROLINE LEE HENTZ.

—J. B. LIPPINCOTT & Co., Philadelphia. 1870. *Helen Erskine.* By Mrs. M. HARRISON ROBINSON.

—HARPER & BROTHERS, New-York, 1870. The Poetical Works of ALFRED TENNYSON, Poet Laureate. With numerous illustrations.

—The Free Press Association, Burlington, Vt., 1869. The Vermont Brigade in the Shenandoah Valley, 1864. By ALDACE F. WALKER.

—JOEL MUNSELL, Albany, 1869. *The History of Civilization.* By AMOS DEAN, LL.D. In seven volumes. Vols. 6 and 7.

—RHODES & RALPH, Washington, D. C., 1870. Poems. By GEORGE ALFRED TOWNSEND.

—The Catholic Publication Society, *Lectures delivered in St. Ann's Church, Eighth-street, during the Season of Advent,* 1869. By Rev. THOMAS S. PRESTON.

How the Country Republicans Regard their Brethren of the City.

From the Elmira Advertiser, Jan. 6.

The Republicans of the City of New-York are reorganising their organization. It needs it as bad as the dog which had its tail cut off just behind its ears. If this organization could be reformed out of existence altogether, and the working management of the party turned over to some central committee having its headquarters in the rural districts, say Syracuse, from whence missionaries with common sense and full power and discretion could be sent into the City of New-York, a visible increase in numbers and strength might soon be obtained. The present system of sending missionaries from New-York to the country is just exactly wrong end fore most. We would as soon expect the Hindoos to enlighten our people in Christian duties as New-Yorkers to enlighten the country in politics. When the next State Committee is organised let it change its base. Let it take position somewhere in the pure air of the country, and try what virtue there is in prying daylight into the City. With such an organization operating from the right end, and the lever working in the right direction, something in the way of progress and a renewal of Republican majorities may be accomplished. It is always a bad plan to work machinery against the grain.

THE COUNTRY IN 1870.

Prosperity of the Country—Causes—Population in 1870—Wealth—Building—The Future.

THE BERCHES, Jan. 4, 1870.

In writing a new year of our Lord at the head of this letter I thought of the wonderful progress of this country since my memory, and that I would sketch in a few brief paragraphs the leading facts which the census of 1870 was likely to exhibit. It is not a difficult thing, for the progress of this country is like the movement of machinery, going on with mathematical accuracy. My letters to the TIMES will show that during the war, and since, I have always held that the country would be successful; that it suffered much less, and was far more prosperous, than was commonly supposed. The facts have sustained me, and never in the history of this nation, or of any other, was there exhibited such a national strength, growth and prosperity, as that with which God blesses us in the era of 1870. It has no parallel in history. A friend returning from his travels through Europe tells me that intelligent Europeans are everywhere astonished, both at our success in war, and our wonderful recuperation since; and he added, even the South will be more prosperous than ever. Yes! that South which was supposed to suffer so much, and which timid Conservatism endeavored to save from the terrible evil of abolition; that South will lay the foundation of her prosperity in the abolition of slavery, and succeed as it never did before. Already the South raises a full crop of cotton; already the negro is paid remunerative wages; already schools rise to teach them; and already he begins to take his part in the political business of society. The nightmare of its dreams has passed away, and the phantasmagoria of its diseased imagination passed away forever!

But I pass from the South to consider the whole country. What are the great facts of our country?

1. What will the census bring forth? What is our population? From 1790 to 1860, a period of seventy years, this nation has progressed in population at a ratio almost uniformly the same; in fact, with so little difference that the minimum, from 1830 to 1840, was 32.67, and the maximum, from 1840, to 1850, 35.87. The average was about 34½. Assuming 34 as the ratio of increase from 1860 to 1870, then the increase from 1860 to 1870 will be 10,690,729, and the population in 1870 will be 42,133,151. I am aware that this is above almost any estimate made, and much above the estimates of some persons. But you will observe that I have taken only the average ratio of seventy years; and let me say here that the increase from 1800 to 1810, when the immigration was comparatively small, was 36.45, two per cent. more than I have now assumed. But let me give my reasons in detail for believing the increase of population since 1860 has been very great. First, we have in this time been in a period of great healthfulness, without epidemics. Secondly, we have had abundance of all the means and sustenance of life. Thirdly, we have had an immense immigration. Fourthly, the losses of life by the war did not exceed seven hundred thousand, and one-third of those would have died if there had been no war; fifthly, the supposed losses among negroes is imaginary. Thus we see that, in the aggregate, there is reason to believe the round ratio of increase will be increased rather than diminished. Thus, I assume that the increase of population from 1860 to 1870 will be up to the average increase.

2. What is the wealth of the country? This is a difficult problem; for political economists have never yet agreed upon an absolute standard of wealth. In only two censuses of the United States has any attempt been made to get at the value of the property and in those the State assessments were chiefly relied on. Now, you in New-York know that these assessments are not at all reliable. In fact, there is probably no State in the country where they are reliable; for they are all made in reference to taxation—a thing much dreaded by the people. Probably the nearest to real values which we could get would be to estimate the value in the currency of the country at the usual terms of selling. This would be something above the standard of values in other countries, but would be nearer the truth than is found in the State assessments. In the year 1846 the State of Ohio adopted the plan of valuing property, not at the real, but at the cash, value. This is below the real value, because it is not sold for cash, except in rare cases. Allowing for this difference, the valuation in Ohio is near the truth. Taking past assessments, and the difference between cash and time sales, and I make the value of property in Ohio to be $1,729,000,000. Now, Ohio is just about one-fourteenth part of this country in population, and, as a central State, just about the same proportion in value. If this be true, then the value of property in this country is $24,206,000,000. This is very little different from what Mr. WELLS makes it out in his report. My own conviction is that the true valuation of wealth in this country is really greater than either of these estimates; but, as I have said, we have no certain standard of estimation. If these estimates are near the truth, then the progress of wealth in this country has been thus

In 1850	$7,135,780,228
In 1860	16,159,616,068
In 1870	24,206,000,000

It will be observed that the increase since 1860 has not been as great as since 1850; but it is yet much greater than in the ratio of the increase of population, and according to what we know of modern machinery this ought to be the case—that part of the increase of wealth, which makes the greater ratio beyond the increase of population, is due to machinery, which does the work of man. It is machinery which does almost the whole work of railroads, and we have $2,000,000,000 in railroad property; so of cotton mills, woolen mills and agricultural machinery.

Third—A very large part of the increased wealth of the country comes from structures, such as houses, mills, factories, public buildings, barns, &c. This is tangible property. In the year 1867 there were built in Ohio 15,500 new structures, and in 1869 there were 17,500. In the year previous there were considerably fewer; but in the ten years since the 1st of July, 1860, there have been built in Ohio 100,000 new structures. Perhaps, one-fifth of these were barns and uninhabited buildings; leaving 80,000 new habitations, an average of seven to each, there would be an addition of 560,000 people, which is very near the truth. In the United States there have been built since 1860 1,500,000 new structures; which is just enough for the 10,000,000 increase of people.

The reader can see from the facts I have furnished that the progress of the country is as great and as rapid as ever. The wounds produced by the war were so slight that in less than five years they are almost forgotten, and the great chariot of American destiny moves on as if its course had never been disturbed. Where will it end, or what will it arrive at? The exhaustion of new lands, which are rich and fertile, (and which will happen in a dozen or two years,) will interrupt seriously the foreign immigration and the progress of population. But, in the meantime, this nation will become a great manufacturing people, not only for ourselves but for other nations. It cannot be that exhaustless deposits of iron, lead, zinc, coal and gold, have been deposited in the midst of this continent to lie there idle. God issued His command that this earth should be subdued, and that cannot be done till its arable lands are cultivated, and its mines made useful and its precious metals applied to commerce. The settlement and culture of America is but just begun. On the three millions of square miles in the United States there will probably be six hundred millions of people. What will Europe be to them? What care they for the systems and governments and philosophies which originate on the old but narrow bounds of humanity? You think there are many people, and much wealth and some enterprise around New-York, and so there are; but you live only on a narrow rim of the Republic. You scarcely begin to look into the interior of the country. What do you know of the great Upper Valley of the Mississippi? What of New-Mexico? What of Washington Territory? What of the Rocky Mountain Valley in the British Dominion? What of Northern Texas? You take a railroad car and run to San Francisco, but that is nothing. You only trace the country—you don't penetrate it. We can see a mighty future looming up on the distant horizon, but we cannot look into the bosom of that cloud which is big with the coming ages. But it seems to me there is something grand just before us—perhaps an unveiling of the realities of that vision which the Prophet saw in the latter days; perhaps something better and nobler than wealth or numbers. Let us hope that the vail which is taken from the face of Time may disclose to us the brighter glory of a regenerated world.

A VETERAN OBSERVER.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The Ocean Mails.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

May I ask your permission to correct, in a few lines, the errors as to facts contained in a communication signed "Vindex," in your impression of to-day?

The actual time made by the *Minnesota*, in her last passage from Queenstown to this port, as compared with that of the *Java* and the *City of Baltimore*, was as follows: The *Minnesota* left Queenstown on the 23d December, at 10 A. M., and arrived at Sandy Hook on the 3d January, at 7:30 A. M.

	Days.	Hours.	Min.
Passage, apparent time	10	21	30
Add difference of time	..	4	45
Mean time	11	2	15

The *City of Baltimore* left Queenstown on the 24th December, at 4:42 P. M., and arrived at Sandy Hook on the 4th January, at 4:47 A. M.

	Days.	Hours.	Min.
Passage, apparent time	10	12	02
Add difference of time	..	4	45
Mean time	10	16	47

The *Java* left Queenstown on the 26th of December, at 4:50 P. M., and arrived at Sandy Hook the 6th of January, at 11:36 A. M.

	Days.	Hours.	Min.
Passage, apparent time	10	18	46
Difference of time	..	4	45
Mean time	10	23	31

Thus instead of the *Minnesota* beating either of the two steamers named, she was beaten ten hours and twenty-eight minutes by the *City of Baltimore*, and two hours and forty-four minutes by the *Java*.

What the stimulus of carrying the United States mails may be worth, a few figures will show. By the official returns there were paid last year to the Cunard and Inman lines about $75,000 each per fifty-two trips, or $1,440 each per trip, these steamers receiving at the rate of twenty cents per ounce. Our Post Office now only allows six cents per ounce, or $432 per trip. What the actual cost of increasing a steamer's speed only ten hours on a voyage may be, "Vindex" had better inform himself before writing of the "estimates" afforded by $432 a trip.

The "great credit" deserved by the Postmaster-General amounts to this: That he has reduced the postal service to Great Britain from four trips a week to two, and by the arrangements he has made, the correspondence of the mercantile community is delayed two days on the average. To save six cents a half ounce on letters two days' interest on the enormous money relations between the two countries is actually lost.

Cheap postage is a great boon, but when cheap postage means slow delivery the public is deprived of its just expectations. Perhaps in time the increase of letters under low rates of postage may make the service self-supporting, but is it right that the experiment should be tried at the expense of private individuals? The compensation to railroads for the inland transportation of mails is not regulated by the number of letters carried, and I can see no reason why it should be so by sea.

R.

SATURDAY, Jan. 8, 1870.

The San Francisco Whisky Seizures.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

As public attention has been called to the internal revenue complications involved in the recent seizures of whisky at San Francisco, and as the matter has not only attracted the attention of the Press throughout the country, but from its present position is assuming an importance greater than any question yet developed under the enforcement of the Excise laws, it seems to justify a full and truthful illustration of the subject.

The shipment of whisky from New-York to San Francisco has been a business extending itself in amount as the consumption of the commodity in California increased. Well-known brands of Kentucky Bourbon whisky have a constant market on the Pacific coast, and command a price at least twice that of the whisky distilled in California from wheat.

The particular character of whisky seized in possession of commission merchants of San Francisco is entirely distinct from the whisky distilled in California. Highwines have been regularly shipped to San Francisco, and the market reports of the commercial papers furnish daily quotations of the price; and as a complete illustration of the difference between highwines and the Bourbon whisky, (the class under seizure,) the market reports quote Bourbon and rye whisky at about double the price of either highwines or the wheat whisky of California.

The officers who seized the large amount of whisky in San Francisco claimed it had been rectified, and that it was on the market without the stamps affixed to the packages which the law and regulations required. The shippers having been apprised of the seizure, appealed to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue for the release of their property early in September. The officers in California manifested great confidence in the justice of the seizure, and it, therefore, became necessary for the Commissioner to thoroughly investigate the case before exercising the power to release.

The owners of the whisky protested against the seizure as unjustifiable, and with great force asserted that if the property seized had not fulfilled the requirements of the law in every respect, all Bourbon and rye whiskies in California or elsewhere were liable to like seizure. On such an appeal, the Commissioner was bound to afford the citizens interested an opportunity to establish the truth of their assertions. Several weeks were required to collect a complete chain of evidence identifying the whisky under seizure at San Francisco with that which had duly met all the requirements of the law by the payment of tax at the place of distillation.

But complete, and without a flaw of even the variation of a number, such evidence was at last placed on file at the Internal Revenue Bureau at Washington, and the release demanded. Notwithstanding the convincing evidence furnished the Commissioner, he declined then to exercise the power conferred upon him by Congress until he had secured further information on the subject.

The owners of the property on one hand had established their right to the release; the subordinate officers in California who had seized the property protested vehemently against the release, and were earnestly supported by Senator COLE. The Commissioner had a great duty to perform. The citizen taxpayer asked him for justice, and his California subordinates asked to be sustained. The result was that Supervisor FULTON was dispatched to San Francisco to investigate the question and to report. In due time his report came, and fully confirmed the evidence placed on file by the owners of the whisky.

The Commissioner then determined to exercise his prerogative, and ordered the property to be released. But before the order could be formally prepared, Senator COLE again protested against the release. The Commissioner then referred his action to the Secretary of the Treasury for his approval. The examination of the case was intrusted to Judge RICHARDSON, Assistant Secretary, who reported in favor of sustaining the decision of the Commissioner.

Thus, through a most critical examination, extending over a period of three months, in which a vast mass of evidence had to be supplied, and which had been collected at great cost to the owners of the property, the long-expected release appeared within reach; but here again Senator COLE interfered, and on this occasion in his place in the Senate, by introducing a resolution instructing the Commissioner not to release the property.

Such is the situation of the case to-day. The action of Senator COLE in taking a question of the kind into the Senate, when the law confers the power on the Commissioner to adjudicate in such cases, is severely criticised as an unwarranted reflection on the character of Commissioner DELANO. Every opportunity has been extended by the owners of the property and their counsel for the fullest investigation. Senator COLE has been invited to examine the papers which represent the evidence in favor of release, but declined. In the meantime great loss has been sustained, business has been deranged, shipments of the commodity have fallen off.

It is to be hoped that the United States Senate will at once rebuke the attempt to make it the court room where whisky cases are to be decided, and will vote down Senator COLE'S resolution as an unwarranted attack on Commissioner DELANO and Secretary BOUTWELL.

P. N

NEW-YORK, Saturday, Jan. 8, 1870.

Helping the Poor.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Investigating the character and circumstances of persons who apply at the doors of citizens and on the street for relief, we are constantly discovering cases of gross imposition. From long observation and investigation it is quite plain that at least three-fourths of these applicants, young and old, are arrant impostors, and that whatever is given them had better be burned. With very many it furnishes the means for drunken indulgence, with many others it encourages a life of pauperism, and with not a few it is made a matter of gain. Some of the lowest as well as some of the most genteel appearing beggars "mean money," and they are most successful in their attempts to secure it. To prevent these impositions, the evils flowing from indiscriminate almsgiving, and also the annoyance to which the benevolent are subjected, the Five Points House of Industry will furnish free to those who may wish them, cards directing applicants to call at the Institution and state their wants; will investigate all such cases referred to them, and see that proper relief is afforded.

S. B. HALLIDAY,
Superintendent, No. 155 Worth-street.

No. 155 WORTH-STREET, Saturday, Jan. 8, 1870.

Dramatic Copyright—Judge Drummond's Decision.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

An article in your paper to-day, referring to the decision of Judge DRUMMOND in reference to the play of "Mary Warner," and purporting to give private reason for a different decision in our State Courts, is, it seems to me, unwarranted and unjust, and must have emanated from the combination of dramatic authors who seek to sustain the exclusive right to their productions.

Whether Judge DRUMMOND was right, or our State Courts, can be left to the common sense of any individual when the point is stated. This play was publicly represented on the stage in London in June, 1869, by the author and owner. It is a settled rule of law that when a play has been published the author (unless he has secured a copyright) loses his exclusive right to it. The question before Judge DRUMMOND and before our State Court was therefore identical, viz.: Is a representation on the stage a publication of the play? Our State Court holds that it is. Judge DRUMMOND holds that it is not a publication unless the person who took the play at such representation was able to remember it and write it out from memory. If the spectator was able to do this then it was a publication. If, on the contrary, the spectator was a little dull and he used a lead pencil to aid his treacherous memory, then it was not a publication.

Our State Court holds that public representation on the stage is a publication.

Judge DRUMMOND holds that the question of publication does not depend upon the fact of representation, but upon the sluggish or retentive memory of the spectator, so that if A and B sit side by side and listen to a play, and A can remember it, but B cannot, it is a publication as to A, and not a publication as to B. The author can get an injunction against one, and not against the other.

This is the common law of Chicago, founded on neither reason nor common sense. The remark in your paper in regard to the Judge who decided either of the cases with which I have been connected, is unwarranted.

IRA D. WARREN.

No. 200 BROADWAY, N.Y., Saturday, Jan. 8, 1870.

What the Pennsylvania Ironmasters Call "Protection."

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

It is conceded by the traveling public, which means a very large number of the American people, that steel rails are not only desirable, but necessary for the comfort and safety of railroad traffic. The present duty on the article is forty-five per cent. in gold, which, with the items of freight and insurance, practically amounts to fifty per cent. At the present price of steel rails in Europe, this duty is, in round numbers, $28 gold, or say $34 currency, per ton. This large bonus to American industry, as it is called, does not satisfy our ironmasters—masters, indeed, in more senses than one—for they have directed their Committee in Congress to propose 2 cents per pound, or $44 80 gold per ton, as a proper duty on this article of prime necessity, the demand for which is growing so great that all the steelmakers in this country together could not satisfy, if they would, now, nor are likely to do for ten years to come. Ought the people to submit to this glaring imposition, and allow a few men to ruin commerce and retard the development of our great railway interest, in order to build up a monopoly? Depend upon it that American industry, which has grown to be another name for American wastefulness needs nothing so much as good, healthy competition in most of its branches, more especially in those of iron and steel, for which nature has done so much in this country in the way of inexhaustible supplies of coal and iron ore. The best "protection" would be the entire abolition of the duty on manufactures of iron and steel, when economy and carefulness would combine to give the public these useful metals at reduced prices, secure living wages to labor, and a fair return to capital.

One word more. Can one be a consistent "Republican" without at the same time being a "Protectionist?" I should be very sorry to withdraw from the party with which I have been identified since 1856, but shall be forced to do so if our leaders cling to that false system of political economy now ruining the country.

COMMERCE.

NEW-YORK, Saturday, Jan. 8, 1870.

THE BEEF WE EAT.

The Live Stock Market of New-York—How the Doomed Animals are Disposed of—Bellowing, Brutality and Beef.

The place of reception for the thousands of cattle which are brought to this City over the railroads and canals which radiate from it to the remote parts of the country, is well fitted to render the bovine mind wholly indifferent to any fate which may await it thereafter. After the experience of that last journey and the ominous pen in which it terminates, the shambles have no terror for the desperate ox, and the wretched and discouraged cow is utterly heedless of the ghastly stalls of the butcher. Dazed, weary and exhausted, they are reckless whether they be carved into steaks, minced into hash, or left to expire in the last ditch. From the rich plains of the West and South, and from the green hills of Ohio and our own rural counties, they are brought, crowded together in jolty cars, half fed and deprived of rest, and are finally hustled into yards in the precincts of the Metropolis which would break the spirits of the healthiest of brutes.

These cattle yards are always overcrowded; they are provided with no shelter against the scorching suns of Summer, or the pitiless storms of Winter; they are generally filthy in the extreme; and altogether they form a most uncomfortable abiding place for the last days of any living creature. Not only are there no provisions made for the comfort of the hungry and exhausted brutes, but nothing is done for the convenience of buyers and sellers. In the mud and filth of the yards, a motley crowd of human beings mingle with the herds and chaff, and haggle over their bargains. Here we find every variety of trading and speculating humanity. Many of the sellers are civil men of business, sharp, perhaps, but in general agreeable to deal with. The drovers are coarse and brutal, having no idea whatever that cattle are created with feelings which they are bound to respect. The buyers belong to almost every nationality under heaven, America generally having the smallest representation. English is the language of the trade, but it suffers from a violent contact with nearly all the tongues which were confused at the building of the celebrated structure in the plains of Shinar. Finally the herd is disposed of in the midst of hardship, both for men and beast, which would form the subject of many a pitiful history, if they were not a part of our self-imposed every-day civilization; and then comes the task of transferring the bovine rabble from the market yard to the slaughter house, and no trifling task it is. Once free from their odious prison pens, the animals, for a moment, recover their spirits, and celebrate their deliverance by dispersing in every direction, and defying all the attempts of men to keep them in anything like a seemly procession to the scene of slaughter. Carriages leave the highways to them without dispute, women betake themselves to doorways and alleys with marvelous celerity, and men seek the shelter of gateways and fences with unwonted vigor. Drovers bawl, butchers halloo, cattle bellow, dogs bark, women scream and children yell, while the headlong crowd rushes in every direction but the right one, and is belabored with clubs and missiles until brought at last to the fatal entrance. The scenes enacted within would bring a nightmare to the slumbers of a bovine family, and visions of soups, roasts, steaks and even, perchance, of mince pies to the sleep of the epicure. Yet could we see the varied experiences still to be undergone between the shambles and the banqueting hall, change might come over the spirit of his dream.

We will not leave this subject without yet another word of protest against the shabby reception which is given to these dumb creatures on their arrival in New-York, and the cruelty which is exercised upon them, both on their journey hither and during their brief sojourn here, before taking a final leave of all things earthly. There seems to be no reason why their "taking off" should not be done decently and in order. The Augean stables of Weehawken and Communipaw should be subjected to the herculean labors of an army of those who are now idle for want of employment, and appliances should be provided for the comfort of beasts and the convenience of men.

CURRENT NOTES.

There is a Door County in Wisconsin. It is always open to immigrants.

There are seven sisters residing in Holmesburg, Penn., whose average age is 72 years. The youngest is 64 and the eldest is 81.

A boy 13 years of age is under arrest in St. Louis on the charge of assault with intent to kill. He stabbed a larger boy with his penknife.

A West Virginia paper speaks derisively of its neighbor's "favorite grip in his argumentative wrestle."

Five of the persons attacked by trichina spiralis in Kane County, Illinois, have died, and four others are given up by the physicians.

A Georgia paper informs its readers that Mrs. STOWE "has published the advance sheets of her new book on the Byron scandal."

The "little mistake" of a Providence druggist lay in giving corrosive sublimate instead of calomel.

Two of West Virginia's Congressmen, it is reported, will vote to abolish the franking privilege.

Forty families from Paterson and Rahway, N. J., are to settle upon a recently-purchased tract of 7,000 acres on Staunton River, in Virginia.

Dr. GEORGE C. S. CHOATE, for sixteen years past Superintendent of the Massachusetts Lunatic Asylum in Taunton, has resigned.

Grand Rapids, Mich., extended a most enthusiastic welcome to Lieutenant-General SHERIDAN last week. The little city had not been so stirred up for a long time.

After all Indiana and Illinois are nowhere compared with Oregon, in the matter of divorce. In one Oregon county last year there were 123 marriages and 40 divorces.

New-Hampshire's vote on the Constabulary law has just been officially declared. There were 5,976 votes for the law and 13,506 against it; majority against, 7,530.

Ohio and Pennsylvania Democratic papers are urging the selection of Senator THURMAN, of Ohio, as Chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

Mr. GEORGE E. HERSEY, the cashier of the Harvard National Bank, Boston, has at his own request been relieved from his duties to devote his time to the investigation of the "deficiency."

A boy 11 years old, confined in the jail at Indianapolis, amused himself on Thursday night by setting fire to the whiskers of a drunken man in the same cell.

General HALBERT E. PAINE has reiterated his refusal to be a candidate for reëlection to Congress from Wisconsin. His constituents regret his determination to retire to private life.

The City of Bridgeport, West Va., has its little case of impeachment, the obnoxious official being its Mayor. The accusers say he is capable of keeping a good record, but has not done so because of inebriety.

Texas papers report that Brevet Captain FREDERICK W. SMITH, of the Ninth Cavalry, was killed at Fort McKavett on the 22d ult. by the accidental discharge of a revolver in his own hands. He was a native of Massachusetts.

Milwaukee, Wis., made and drank last year thirty-six million two hundred and three thousand six hundred and one mugs of lager beer. And still it cannot decide whether lager is intoxicating.

General REYNOLDS has written to a friend in Indiana that General DAVIS is elected Governor of Texas, that three of the four Congressmen chosen are Republicans, and that there is a Republican majority in the Legislature.

A private banking house in New-Orleans on New Year's Day surprised two gentlemen who have a slight interest in the business by handing them $3,000 each over and above their shares. Each of the clerks also received a present of $600.

A Texas paper, which opposes women's suffrage, remarks incidentally and somewhat obscurely that "the character and society of females, in a Government like this, should ever be maintained as the vestal virgins to guard the sacred altar of liberty."

A New-Jersey jury, which last week brought in a verdict of $3,000 for the plaintiff, when the Judge had charged very strongly in favor of the defendant, received such a lecture from the indignant honorable gentleman as they never received before. And they all married men, too.

Mr. W. CORNELL JEWETT has sent us a couple of letters in which he denies that Holland has opened her shores for all to lay cables, and says that he has been granted a concession to lay a cable by that country, which is virtually perpetual. He also says he has not as yet given any rights under this concession to any companies or parties.

The Houston *Telegraph* speaks a wise and timely word to the other Democratic papers of Texas when it reminds them that by a kindly tone they can do a vast deal of good for the State. It says it has done all in its power to defeat the Radicals, but the battle is now over and it protests against a continuance of bitter utterances.

General BUTLER says the Emancipation Proclamation of President LINCOLN at once supplemented and complemented the Declaration of Independence; that it "may fitly be termed the executive act of freedom to all mankind, of which the Declaration of '76 was only the legislative announcement. It required both to make all men free; the first did so in theory, the latter in fact."

At a meeting of the Investigating Committee in Providence

might safely challenge the New-York *Tribune* in its dogma—"the reduction of the debt is the key to the funding project." Indeed, on the 1st of October, our bonds rated firm at 87 in Frankfort, while on the 1st inst. the quotation was "heavy" at 85.

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Then the foreign market bears and responds to the continuous cry coming up of oppressive taxation, of prostrated industry, of paralyzed agriculture. It sees the black form of repudiation, threatened by a party which seeks to obtain power in pandering to and magnifying the discontent of the people. By these means our bonds are deprived of the solidity which underlies securities not so great strangers in the money markets, and whose credit has never been touched by blight of discontent, or probable repudiation *in toto*, or essential change in form and terms.

In view of these facts, we have believed, and still believe, that *an important prerequisite to funding, even better than a large reduction of the principal, is to remove all causes of complaint upon the part of the people*, foster a spirit of contentment, stimulate and relieve industry, and thus put down the *bangao* of repudiation, or what is just as bad, the probability of the return to power of a party hostile to the war and inimical to the debt it created. This can be done by a rebatement of a proportion of taxation, leaving still enough revenue to liquidate annually a small proportion of the principal of the debt.

From the Boston Journal.

One of the most obvious practical questions which arises from the Secretary's financial exhibit is, whether, under the circumstances, the general pressure of taxation on the business community ought not to be lightened. *So far as we have had opportunities to judge, there is a universal demand for such relief, which Congress ought to heed, by the adoption of appropriate measures, at the earliest possible moment.* The nation has evinced its purpose to pay the debt, and that so unmistakably and overwhelmingly, that even the Democratic Representatives in Congress have been compelled to put themselves on record as sharing the same purpose. The nation, too, has demonstrated its ability, month by month to wipe off the debt in due season by the judicious application of its resources. Nothing further, then, in the way of demonstration, either for home or foreign effect, is any longer needed. All we have to do is to make the wisest use of our means consistent with our national obligations, on the one hand, and with the business interests of our people, on the other. We are not obliged to hurry up payment at a rate which shall be destructively burdensome, seeing that all apprehensions have now been removed, and that new sources are constantly coming under the load, which will make its ultimate removal as easy as it is certain. These considerations would seem to require *immediate relief from the taxation so long and so cheerfully borne*, which is now pouring into the Treasury a heavy surplus. It may not be feasible to reduce the revenues to an exact equality with the expenditures of the Government, but that is the point which should be aimed at.

From the Hartford Courant.

There are two financial policies discussed by the Republican Press. It is proposed to retain the tariff and the present internal revenue taxation without material change, though it is shown by Commissioner Wells that the surplus is likely to be nearly or quite one hundred and twenty-five millions. The surplus is likely to be used in reducing the principal of the national debt—that is, of the bonded debt—that which is not yet due, which the holders are not presenting, and which has to be bought in at a premium. What is the object of the reduction of the debt in itself a good thing, and a matter of congratulation, provided it be not attained at too great an expense, and that it be done in the right way. The chief object, however, is to so raise the national credit that we may be able to exchange the six per cents. bonds, so far as necessary, for bonds of a suitable form and to the extent of $1,200,000, for four and a half per cent. bonds, so that eighteen millions a year may be saved in interest. *To get into a condition to save eighteen millions a year, it is proposed to tax ourselves seventy-five millions a year for a couple of years, above what would otherwise be necessary.* Carefully considered, this is the "exchange," for the advocates of heavy taxation always speak as if the Treasurer himself is to take a new four and a half per cent. bond in one hand, with $100 in gold in the other to the holder of the six per cent., and say to him, "Take this four and a half per cent. bond as a substitute for yours, or will pay you the specie for your six per cent. bond." This is altogether fallacious and deceptive. The two transactions are wholly independent of each other. We can reduce the principal of the six per cent. bonds in two ways: By such heavy taxation that we shall have a surplus with which to pay them dollar for dollar in gold; secondly, by borrowing money at a lower rate to pay them with. The six per cent. holder will be determined that when he gets his money he will not reinvest it in Government bonds of any description. The four and a half per cent. bond is no more to him than to any other capitalist; it is to be judged of upon its own merit; he will not be threatened into surrendering his present security—that would be repudiation then in fact—because he can a five or four and a half per cent. bond be negotiated? Not as the market now is. Look for yourself. Six per cents are below gold par, both at home and abroad. It is a long way from that to par for four and a half per cents. It is claimed that the only way to bring up the market is to use a heavy annual surplus in paying up the principal of the debt. Then if foreign capitalists saw that our whole debt was to be bought up in ten years would they hasten to lend us at lower rates? Not by any means. But it shows our ability? No human being in the world doubts that now. The question is just one of our integrity and our wisdom; that is all. The debt will have been growing stronger of late that the debt will be paid; that is, the purpose of the people to pay it is undoubted; but our folly may be such as to embarrass us and reinvigorate the spirit of repudiation. *We do not deceive anybody by raising a great surplus in depreciated paper and buying in our own bonds and paying in our own paper that is due is far below par, unpaid, irredeemable and likely to remain so for many a year.*

Opening of the New Floating Church for Seamen—Discourse by Bishop Potter.

The new Floating Church, just erected at the foot of Pike-street, East River, by the "Protestant Episcopal Church Missionary Society, for Seamen, in the City and Port of New-York," was opened for worship yesterday morning. The building is a neat Gothic structure, arched within, capable of accommodating about 350 persons, and rests on a new and solid float, which is moored to the dock owned by the Society. The original Floating Chapel was built in 1844, and lasted twenty-two years. In 1866, when the Mission moved to a room at the corner of Pike and South streets, the same place where it first commenced its work in 1842. The present chapel was begun last September, and cost about $23,000. Mr. FESSLER was the builder; Mr. THORP architect.

The opening services yesterday were conducted by the rector, Rev. R. W. LEWIS, and the Bishop of the Diocese, Rev. Dr. POTTER, who preached the sermon. In the afternoon Rev. Dr. SAMUEL COOK officiated.

The Bishop's sermon in the forenoon was a simple but impressive discourse suggested by the occasion. His text was from Romans, xii., 1. "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God," &c. He welcomed the seamen once more to a house of worship floating on their favorite element. It would be to them a resting place on their return from long and tedious voyages, and on their departure again, they would enjoy the consolation of having had a reunion with Christian friends. The Bishop, in the course of his sermon, gave the result of the Seamen's Society's work during the last twenty five years, as follows:

"Seamen and boatmen, exclusive of others, to whom they have proclaimed the Gospel through the services of our Church, and by sermons delivered, 150,000. Visits have been made to 10,000 sick sailors in the hospitals. Distributed 7,129 Bibles, 16,097 Testaments, 8,709 prayer books, 75,558 miscellaneous books of a religious tendency, and over 2,760,000 pages of tracts. Baptisms, 1,544; confirmations, 824; marriages, 859; burials, 551; communicants added, 518."

Since the establishment of the Sailors' Home, in 1855, it has accommodated 12,700 men, of whom 1,000, destitute from shipwrecks, were gratuitously provided with board and clothing. The inmates have deposited in savings banks or sent to their friends $146,800, and 750 men have been reformed, most of them from drunkenness.

Another Street Assault and Attempted Robbery.

Another of those bold forays by footpads, which have lately become so common in certain quarters of the City, occurred Saturday evening at a late hour, in Thirty-sixth-street, between First and Second avenues. ANDREW PHALON, who resides at No. 19 Broome-street, was passing quietly along the street when he was suddenly attacked by two ruffians, who knocked him down and were proceeding to rob him, when they were driven away by the opportune arrival of Officer SHERWOOD, of the Twenty-first Precinct. PHALON was found to have a severe wound upon the head, and having received surgical aid at the East Thirty-fifth-street Station House, was assisted to his home by the Police. The assailants, as in all like cases of late, escaped without leaving any clue to their identity.

Court Calendars—This Day.

COURT OF APPEALS CALENDAR.

The following is the day calendar for the Court of Appeals for Jan. 10: Nos. 22, 39, 40, 42, 43, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 54, 55.

SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM.

Held by Ingraham, P. J., and Barnard and Brady, JJ.—Court opens at 10:30 A. M.

Enumerated Motions.

Nos.	Nos.
36—Harrison vs. Peck.	72—Mackay vs. Mackay.
58—Cuff vs. Dorlond.	73—Isaacs vs. The Third-ave. R. R. Co.
59—Wells vs. Strong.	74—White vs. Cortlies.
61—Webb vs. Skinner.	75—Bendall vs. Peterson.
62—Perkins vs. McDavitt.	76—Horsford vs. Freeman.
64—Buckingham vs. Rodman.	77—Kissel vs. Alberice.
65—Williams vs. Sergeant.	78—Whitelaker vs. Kohnwelles.
66—Woodruff vs. Valentine.	
67—Kattenhorn vs. Tuska.	79—Rorke vs. Leagerafi.
69—Webb vs. Skinner.	80—Daby vs. Ericsson.
70—Loughran vs. Ross.	81—Jung vs. Wagstaff.
71—White vs. The Mayor of New-York, &c.	82—Potter vs. Hyman.
	83—Bassett vs. Aborn.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

Held by Cardozo, J.—Calendar called at 10½ M.

Nos.	Nos.
34—Harris vs. Guthrie.	136—Allen vs. Cook.
36—Coutwell vs. Schaefer.	142—Davidson vs. Bailey.
82—Continental Ins. Co. vs. Woodworth.	162—Short vs. Collins.
100—Crosby vs. Deutsch.	186—White vs. Thomas.
	217—Viele vs. Viele.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Part I.—Held by McCunn, J.

Nos.	Nos.
246—Furth vs. Foster.	1077—Chapman vs. Douglas et al.
247—Casey vs. Foster.	
808—Sterne vs. Atlantic Mut. Ins. Co.	1227—Prial vs. Cent'l P'k N. & E. H. R. R. Co.
1151—Pike vs. The Sun Mut. Ins. Co.	133—Escoffice vs. Kelly.
1295—Flatau vs. August F. Hoeft.	132—Bedoin vs. Kelly.
1297—O'Hara, Adm'x, vs. Sealey.	1189—Mercer vs. Bowles et al.
1307—White vs. American Steel Tool Co.	1277—Brooklyn Oil Refinery vs. Brown et al.
721—Reed vs. Sun Mut. Ins. Co.	165—Sturgis vs. N. J. Steam Nav. Co.

Part II.—Held by Freedman, J.

Nos.	Nos.
2526—Smith vs. Coe.	1494—Ahrensdorf vs. O'Brien.
1276—Stokes vs. Brown.	1586—Clasen vs. Seapold.
1410—Hill vs. O'Donnell.	1610—Vaughan vs. Kisner.
800—Geller vs. Theiss.	1626—Schmidt vs. Ruckert.
1298—McDaniell vs. Mysteries.	1646—Knellis vs. Ratz.
1508—Feeny vs. O'Brien.	572—Kohberta vs. Kelly.
1008—Harrington vs. Cunningham.	1644—Riley vs. Weeks.
	1150—Davidson vs. Britton.
	1494—Young vs. Sneden.

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Part I.—Held by Gross, J.—Calendar called at 10 A. M.

Nos.	Nos.
479—Marx vs. Ohlman.	4747—Dennison vs. Cornell.
—Stenhoff vs. Hintz.	4540—Kerney vs. Purcell.
4787—Killian vs. Desmond.	4741—Hogg vs. Cohen.
4788—Hagan vs. Cluchy.	4062—Brown vs. Powers.
4396—Cavanagh vs. Connelly.	4822—Thompson vs. Weld.
4770—Ellis vs. Bacon.	4624—Weed vs. McDonald.
8—O'Donnell vs. O'Donnell.	4821—Kyle vs. Weld.
	1—Foster vs. Wasserman.

Part II.—Held by Curtis, J.—Calendar called at 10 A. M.

Nos.	Nos.
4438—Crowley vs. Bishop.	4855—Mack vs. Hartz.
4702—Watson vs. Kane.	2—Hackett vs. Clearmont.
4721—Seymour vs. Funk.	3—Varlet vs. Broadway and Seventh-av. R. R. Co.
4556—Wright vs. Walsh.	
4728—Luhrs vs. Levy.	4—Pope vs. Costa.
4797—Langenbach vs. Funk	5—Hudson vs. Husted.
4806—Watson vs. Sanford.	6—Beebe vs. Niagara Ins. Co.
4726—Sharp vs. Sharcross.	7—Hager vs. Althop.
4727—Matthewson vs. Gullaume.	9—Rosenfield vs. Mechanics' Fire Ins. Co.
4762—Corridon vs. Hayes.	
4644—Segelkin vs. Funck.	
4650—Vine vs. Divine.	
—Mann vs. Harrington	

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Held by Bedford, J.

1—The People vs. Michael Boyle; burglary.
2—The People vs. William Stetson; burglary.
3—The People vs. John Shevlin; burglary.
4—The People vs. Walter A. Allen; burglary.
5—The People vs. Walter Hamilton; forgery.
6—The People vs. Peter Hamlin; felonious assault and battery.
7—The People vs. Patrick Quinn; felonious assault and battery.
8—The People vs. George P. Keating, two cases; obtaining goods by false pretences.
9—The People vs. Henry Miller, William Taylor and Conrad Snyder; assault and battery.
10—The People vs. Conrad Snyder; assault and battery.
11—The People vs. Charles A. French; grand larceny.
12—The People vs. Thomas Sullivan; grand larceny.
13—The People vs. George Miller; grand larceny.
14—The People vs. John Smith; grand larceny.
15—The People vs. Harriet Scott; grand larceny.
16—The People vs. Robert McDowell; grand larceny.
17—The People vs. William B. Cooley; grand larceny.
18—The People vs. John Ryan; grand larceny.
19—The People vs. John Campbell; grand larceny.
20—The People vs. Adolphus Lehman; grand larceny.
21—The People vs. John Mujer; grand larceny.
22—The People vs. John Murfey; grand larceny.
23—The People vs. Charles Olsen; larceny from the person.
24—The People vs. Catherine O'Connell; larceny from the person.
25—The People vs. Edward Clairbourne; larceny from the person.
26—The People vs. Mary Hawkins; grand larceny.
27—The People vs. George Newcomb; grand larceny.
28—The People vs. Thomas J. Radcliff; grand larceny.
29—The People vs. Jeremiah Madden; grand larceny.
30—The People vs. Joseph Font; petit larceny.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—JAN. 8, 1870.

FIRST BOARD—10½ A. M.

$5,000	U. S. 6s, '81, C.	117¾	
15,000	do.	117¾	
10,000	U.S.5-20 C., '65..	114¾	
25,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '67.	114¾	
75,000	do.	114¾	
10,000	do.	114½	
500	do.	114½	
10,000	U.S.5-20 C.,'65,n	113¾	
8,000	U. S. 5s, 10-40 C.	110¾	
10,000	Tenn. 6s, ex c.	53	
20,000	do.	53¼	
5,000	do.	53¼	
10,000	Tenn. 6s, n.	47½	
1,000	do.	47¾	
10,000	do.	48	
10,000	do.	48¼	
10,000	do.	48¼	
11,000	do.	49	
600	do.	49¼	
80,000	do.	49	
5,000	Va. St. 6s, ex c..	50½	
7,000	N. Car. St. 6s,n.	29¼	
2,000	do.	29¼	
5,000	do.	29	
5,000	do.	28¾	
1,000	Mo. St. 6s.	87¾	
2,000	La., Lev. St.	94¼	
1,000	La., Lev. B..	65¼	
10,000	do.	65¼	
5,000	do.	66	
1,000	N. Y. St. 7s, R.	107	
600	do.	107¼	
800	Ala. St. 5s, small	51	
4,000	N.Y. Cen. 6s, '83.	86	
1,000	N.Y. Cen. 6s, '87	93	
2,000	Mar. & L. R. 7.3s.	97¼	
10,000	Mar.T. 10s, Ctfs	44	
10,000	Can. Pac. R. B. G. Bds.	91¼
4,000	do.	91¼
1,000	do.	91
3,000	Alt. & T. H. 2d Pf	80
4,000	do.	79¾
5,000	Alton & T. H. 1st	73
3,000	Alt. & T. H. 1st M. ext.	90½
4,000	C. & N. W. Con. conv. bs.	89¾
1,000	do.	90
1,000	G. W. 1st, '88	84½
1,000	N. J. Cen. 2d M.	94
3,000	Mor. & Es. 2d M	95
3,000	P., F. W. & C. 2d.	95½
2,000	St. L. & Iron M. 1st M. Bds.	81¾
1,000	Mil. & St. P. 1st.	89½
2,000	do.	89½
7,000	Col., C. & Ind. C. 1st M.	74½
4,000	do.	74¼
5,000	do.	74
10,000	do.	73
9,000	do.	73¼
1,000	do.	73½
3,000	Tol., P. & W. 1st, West. D.	79¼
30,000	N. Y. C. & H. C	96¾
20,000	do., bet. call	97
15	Cent. Nat. Bank.	106

SECOND BOARD—12 M.

$1,000	U. S. 6s, '81, R..	117¼	
13,000	U. S. 6s, '81, C.	117¼	
8,000	do.. b3	117¾	
5,000	do.	117¾	
50,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '62.	115¾	
5,000	do.	115	
20,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '64	114¾	
15,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '65.	114¾	
5,000	U.S.5-20R.,'65,nc	113½	
$2,500	U.S.5-20C.,'65, n.	113¾	
12,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '65.	113¾	
55,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '67	114	
20,000	do.. b3	114	
2,000	do.	113¾	
500	do.	small	113¾
22,000	U. S. 5s, 10-40 R.	111¾	
3,000	U.S. 5s, 10-40 C.	112	

SECOND BOARD—1 P. M.

$3,000	Tenn. St. 6s. x.c.	53¼	
7,000	do.	54	
20,000	Tenn. St. 6s, n.	49	
25,000	do.	49¼	
5,000	Va. St. 6s, n.	47¾	
10,000	N. Car. St. 6s..	28¾	
1,000	Missouri 6s.....	87	
2,000	Harlem 1st M..	100	
1,000	M. & S. P. 7 3-10 conv.	90	
1,000	Col., C. & I. C. 1st M.	73	
500	do.	73¼	
100	Canton Co.	51¾	
700	West. U. Tel.	32¼	
100	Quicksilver	15¾	
100	do.. bet. call	15¾	
100	Marip. pref.	17¾	
40000	Mar. T. 10s ctfs.	45	
200	Pacific Mail	43¾	
100	Adams Ex.	62¼	
200	do.	62	
100	Wells-Fargo Ex.	30¼	
100	do.	30½	
10	N. Y. Cen. & H. R.	92	
600	do.. bet. call	92¾	
400	do.. b3	93	
400	do.	93	
100	Erie	24	
800	Harlem R.	140	
400	Reading	94¼	
200	do.	94¾	
20	do.	95¾	
100	do.	95¾	
200	do.. bet. call	96	
300	L. S. & M. S. R.	87¾	
600	do.	87¾	
200	do.	88	
200	do.. bet. call	87¾	
200	do.	87¾	
400	Clev. & Pitts.	86¾	
1800	Chi. & N. W.	71¾	
700	do.	71¾	
1200	do.	71¾	
100	do.. bet. call	71¾	
300	do.	72¼	
300	do.	72¼	
200	do.	72	
200	Chi. & N. W. Pf.	84¾	
10	do.	84¾	
100	N. J. Cen. R.	93¾	
200	do.	93	
100	do.	93¾	
600	Chi. & R. I.	105	
200	do.	105¼	
100	do.	105	
100	Mil. & St. P. Pf.	87	
100	Tol., W. & W. b10	52	
100	do.. bet. call	51¾	
100	P., Ft. W. & Chi Guar.	88¾	
20	Chi. & Alton	145	
100	do.	144½	
100	Ohio & Miss.	25¾	
30	Del., L. & W. R.	104	
20	do.	104¾	
20	Mor. & Essex	85¾	
100	do.	85	
150	H. & St. J. R. Pf.	111	
150	Dub. & S. C. R.	106	
600	Col., C. & I. C. R.	20	

NEW NATIONAL BOARD—NOON.

100	W. U. Tel.	32¼	
200	Pacific Mail	43	
100	do.	43¼	
200	Chi. & N. W.	72	
200	Rock Island	105¾	
100	Mil. & St. P.	74¾	
500	Canada Mining	45	
300	do.	40	

MONDAY, Jan. 10—A. M.

The first week of the New Year closed with a general improvement in Stock and Money affairs, although opening on Monday last with a duller prospect than was looked for. The renewed activity in Wall-street and the appearance of ease in Money imparted a better confidence in trade circles outside the Street, and croaking is far less prevalent, even among business men usually looking on the dark or doubtful side, than in December. There is no good reason why this change of feeling should come with the New Year, and a more candid review from actual figures of our material progress and the comparatively moderate statistics of commercial failures of the business of the Old Year. Indeed, it is a year long and pleasantly to be remembered, if for nothing else, the completion of the Great Pacific Railway, and its successful and wonderfully prompt working for seven months of the year from the Missouri River to the waters of the Bay of San Francisco. There is now every confidence felt that assured profits to all the interests concerned will be added in another year to the success and usefulness and national pride of this great work, securing to the General Government the return of its generous subsidies loaned to private enterprise for the building of the Road, to the extent of $60,000,000, and ultimately to the stockholders, as well as immediately to the mortgage bondholders, a substantial return upon their investments. While this Road has been pushed through during the year over two thousand five hundred miles of newly-finished Roads in other quarters, chiefly in the West and looking more or less to the Pacific connection, have been added to the American system, making 3,450 miles altogether for the year 1869, and raising the grand total of the system to 42,272 miles. Material progress was also made in other projected lines, which are expected to add 6,588 miles to the system by the close of 1870.

The general trade of the year past, as it is hoped the trade of the year upon which we have just entered, should correspond in its results with this material progress of the country, rather than the simple increase of population. If we assume the latter as 5 ℘ cent. on the year 1868, we have against it an increase of 10 ℘ cent. in Railway facilities, and of 12 to 15 ℘ cent. in our Foreign, and probably the same in our Domestic trade for 1869; and this, notwithstanding the acknowledged shrinkage in the prices of many of our leading farm commodities and manufactures, and in numerous classes of Foreign Goods.

Whether the promises of the New Year in respect to Railway building and general business, corresponding with the increase in 1869, are to be realized or disappointed, is a question involving so many contingencies of a financial and political nature, abroad as well as at home, that we can only refer to the opening prospect as encouraging the hope for the very best results.

The weekly average of the Associated Local and National Banks in the Clearing House of this City for the week ending Saturday last, Jan. 8, compares as follows with the previous week, and with the corresponding week last year, to which we add the Specie and Currency balances in the New-York office of the United States Treasury at the dates respectively:

Increase in Loans	$3,089,088
Increase in Specie	4,497,922
Increase in other Legal Tenders	3,606,126
Increase in Deposits	11,039,558
Decrease in Circulation	15,067

	Jan. 9, '69.	Jan. 8, '70.	Jan. 1, '70.
National Capital	$74,007,700	$73,035,000	$73,035,000
Local Capital	9,962,500	12,969,898	12,969,898
Total Capital	$83,970,200	$86,104,898	$85,104,898
Loans	258,792,562	253,475,453	250,406,387
Gold and Gold Notes	27,364,739	35,664,830	31,166,908
Other Legal Tenders	51,041,125	45,537,734	45,034,608
Deposits	167,908,539	180,169,332	179,129,894
Circulation	34,344,156	34,148,841	34,166,908
In Sub-Treasury	81,368,067	90,768,872	90,067,458

The Bank Statement published to-day exhibits the following relative strength of the movement, in the point of lawful Money Security, to the previous statement. The Banks owed:

	Jan. 1, '70.	Jan. 8, '70.	Jan. 9, '69.
On deposit	$179,229,304	$190,169,252	$187,908,589
Circulation	34,166,908	34,148,841	34,344,156
Total	$213,296,302	$224,318,093	$222,252,655
25 ℘ ct. would be	53,324,075	56,079,523	55,563,174
They held: In Gold and Greenbacks	76,201,516	84,202,564	78,425,867
Excess	$22,877,441	$28,123,041	$22,862,693
Rate	7 ℘ cent.	7 ℘ cent.	7 ℘ cent.

The Import Entries for the past week, including the Dry Goods return in our last paper, amount to $4,547,895 against the total entries of $3,537,513, same week last year. The Export Clearances of Domestic Produce amount to $2,174,516 against $1,926,240, same week last year. The exports of Specie, $482,670, against $645,628, same week last year. The Customs of the week are $2,240,183. The receipts of Cotton, coastwise and by railroad, are 25,632 bales. The number of emigrant passengers arrived, 1,154.

Our weekly comparative summary of the Foreign Trade and Specie movements at New-York is now resumed as from the 1st of July, 1869, the beginning of the current Fiscal Year of the United States, known as the Fiscal Year 1870.

The Gold values of the Import Entries of Foreign Merchandise at New-York since July 1, 1869, are as follows, the figures being official to Dec. 1, and since semi-official from the Custom House—the entries of Foreign Specie being omitted:

July	$24,480,106	November	$19,081,197
August	27,227,202	December	*20,865,652
September	25,770,289	Jan. 8	4,547,895
October	17,009,219		
Total since July 1			$136,190,760
Against same date 1869			127,067,444
Increase since July 1			$9,123,316

* Unofficial.

The Currency values of the Exports of Domestic Produce and Miscellaneous Goods from New-York since July 1, 1869, are as follows:

July	$19,082,266	November	$17,398,002
August	18,624,219	December	*14,851,116
September	17,226,964	Jan. 5	2,174,519
October	19,068,255		
Total since July 1			$108,420,341
Against same date 1868			91,553,244
Increase since July 1			$26,867,097
Gold, Jan. 8, 1870			122¾ ℘ cent.
Gold, Jan. 9, 1869			135¾ ℘ cent.

* Unofficial.

The Exports of Gold and Silver of all descriptions from New-York since July 1, 1869, are as follows:

July	$6,474,624	November	$1,128,845
August	3,027,940	December	*1,761,804
September	1,763,171	Jan. 8	482,670
October	2,531,076		
Total since July 1			$21,168,130
Against same time 1869			22,335,424
Decrease since July 1			$5,167,294

*Unofficial.

The following are the Customs receipts in Gold, and the Interest paid on the Public Debt in Gold, at the New-York office of the United States Treasury since July 1, 1869:

	Customs Received.		Gold Interest Paid.
July	$10,502,045	July	$17,484,482
August	14,319,915	August	1,867,983
September	12,599,231	September	4,358,338
October	14,194,136	October	7,715,080
November	9,190,801	November	9,992,989
December	6,969,866	December	2,430,597
Jan. 8	2,240,183	Jan. 8	10,194,506
Total, 1870	$86,921,008	Total, 1870	$53,943,975
Total, 1869	$2,016,836	Total, 1869	53,078,049

COURSE OF THE STOCK EXCHANGE FOR THE WEEK.

	Jan. 9, '69.
American Gold Coin	120¼ @ 119¾
Old U. S. 5-20s, 1862	113¾ @ 113¼
Consolidated 5-20s	113¾ with Div. 2nd ref.
U. S. 5 ℘ cents, 10-40s	109¾ @ 109¼
N. Y. Central & Hudson	88¾ @ 88¼
N. Y. Cen. & Hudson Scrip	81¾ @ 80¾
Rock Island	106¾ @ 106¼
Lake Shore	88¾ @ 88¼
Northwestern	68¾ @ 73¾
Reading	94¾ @ 94¼
Northwestern Preferred	87¾ @ 87¼
Ohio and Mississippi	23¾ @ 23¼
Pacific Mail	43¾ @ 43¼
St. Paul Preferred	85¾ @ 85¼
St. Paul Common	72¾ @ 72¼
New Tennessee 6s	48¾ @ 48¼
New North Carolina 6s	28¾ @ 27¾
Old Virginia 6s	48 @ 50

The sales of Gold opened at about 122¾ @ 123 ℘ cent., but fell back in the course of the forenoon to 122¼ ℘ cent., and subsequently closed at 122½, as compared with 122¾ on Friday night. The *Bull* speculation in the Gold Room appeared less confident than on Friday, although the only ostensible drawback to the upward movement was the sum of $1,690,000 January Gold Interest on the Sinking Fund, collected by Mr. SPINNER, United States Treasurer, as custodian of the Bonds bought for the Sinking Fund, which he has directed Mr. FOLGER, the Assistant Treasurer, to sell and reinvest proceeds in United States 5-20s for the Fund. This sale of Gold will be made on Monday, and the extra purchase of United States 5-20s made on Tuesday under the following advertisement:

UNITED STATES TREASURY,
NEW YORK CITY, Jan. 8, 1870.

By order of the Treasury Department, in addition to the sales and purchases heretofore noticed, I will on Monday, Jan. 10, receive bids for $1,670,000 of gold coin, and on Tuesday, Jan. 11, will receive offers of 5-20 United States bonds to the amount of the avails of the coin if sold. They will be in accordance with regulations heretofore observed. A certified check for five per cent. of bids or offer must be deposited therewith. Proposals will be opened at 12 o'clock, noon. Further particulars can be had at this office.

CHARLES J. FOLGER, Assistant Treasurer.

This extra arrangement will make the total sales of Gold for the week $2,660,000, and the total purchases of United States 5-20s about $2,800,000.

The week closed on easy Money at 7 ℘ cent. to the Brokers, and in some exceptional cases 6 ℘ cent. was accepted by lenders. The Bank return reflects the heavy operations incident to the New Year. The various Dividends paid out, and an addition of $3,069,066 to the Loans, have increased the general line of Deposits $11,039,868, of which $4,497,922 is in Gold collected from the Treasury for January Gold Dividends, and $3,503,126 in Greenbacks from the Treasury for Dividend on Currency United States 6 ℘ cents and from other sources. The Treasury paid out $4,622,006 Gold Interest, which, with $5,572,500 prepaid the last week in December, makes $10,194,506 paid and charged off at the New-York Office, as against the January Gold Interest. The Office received for the week $2,240,183 Gold Customs, which may be esteemed a good beginning for the business of the New Year.

On the Stock Exchange the market was again very buoyant for the Public Funds and the Railways, and also for some of the Southern Bonds. The extreme advance on the Railways was not supported to the close of business. There was some realizing by the *Bulls* who bought early in the week and on the dullness prevalent at the close of the Old Year, at much lower figures, but the change in the general temper of the market was not important. The following figures were quoted after the Boards broke up, as compared with Friday night. There was a fair demand for Bills on London at 108¾, 60 days, and 109¼ @ 109¾, short sight.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS, JAN. 8.

	Friday.	Saturday.
United States 5-20s	112½	112
United States 5-20s of 1862	115¾	115¾
United States 5-20s of 1867	114	114
American Gold Coin	122⅞	122¾
Bills on London, 60 days	108¾	108¾
New Bonds of Tennessee	47	49
North Carolina Bonds, new	28¾	28½
New-York Central and Hudson	92¾	92¾
N. Y. C. and H. Debt Certificates	87¾	87¾
Reading Railroad	95	95
Chicago and Rock Island	106¾	105¼
Northwestern Common	71¾	72¾
Northwestern Preferred	85	86
Pacific Mail Company	44	43½
St. Paul Preferred	86¾	87¼
St. Paul Common	74¾	74¾
Lake Shore	88¼	88¾
Erie	24¼	24¾
Ohio and Mississippi	25½	25¾

The following bids were made for the various Public Funds of the United States:

6 ℘ cent., reg., 1881	117¾	5-20 coup., n. is., 1865	113¾
6 ℘ cent., coup., 1881	117¾	5-20 coup., 1867	114¾
5-20 reg., 1862	114	5-20 coup., 1868	114
5-20 coup., 1862	115	10-40 coup.	111¾
5-20 coup., 1864	114¾	5-currency, coup	109¾
5-20 coup., 1865	114¾		

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Missouri 6's	82¾	Michigan 6 ℘ cent, '73	97
N. Carolina 6s, N. B.	28¾	Michigan 7 ℘ ct. W. L.	107
South Carolina 6s	73	New-York Reg. B. L.	107
S. Carolina 6s, N. B.	73	N. York coup. B. L.	107
Missouri 6s	87¾	N. Y. Can. L., '70	103
Louisiana 6s	70	N. Y. 6s, Can. L., '72	105
Louisiana 6s, Levee B.	65¾	N. Y. 6s, Can. L., '73	105
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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

The Spanish Ministerial crisis has terminated in the appointment of Señor RIVERO, the President of the Cortes, to be Minister of the Interior; Admiral TOPETE, to be Minister of Marine, and Señor SAGOSTA to be Minister of Foreign Affairs....M. OLLIVIER, the French Premier, promises to keep justice clear from politics, so that decisions will have all the more weight. The Minister of Finance has declared that his department will not, as heretofore, "keep up relations with great financiers"....A proposition is to be made to exclude LEDRU ROLLIN and TIBALDI from the operation of the recent French amnesty....In connection with the reduction of the French army contingent, the abolition of the law of *Sureté Générale* is to be proposed....Algeria is to be represented in the Corps Legislatif by four Deputies....The sale of all newspapers in the streets of Paris is permitted, and foreign journals will be distributed with examination at the Bureau of Censorship....A trades' union riot occurred in the collieries near Sheffield, England, on Saturday....The Committee on Dogmas of the Ecumenical Council has begun its sittings. A petition from ultra-Roman clergy has been addressed to the Pope, praying for an opportunity in the Council for declaring the dogma, with the supposed design of precipitating the Pope into a committal in favor of the dogma. It is said he receives such petitions only as marks of homage to the Holy See.

CUBA.

Captain-General DE RODAS has issued a proclamation generally complimentary to the citizens and the army. He asserts that troops are coming from Spain to save the lives of the soldiery on the island, and not to reinforce them, as they are abundantly able to suppress the rebellion. He also declares that the Cubans are not insurgents in war only, but in incendiarism ....Fifteen more of the Spanish gunboats reached Havana on Friday, accompanied by the *Pizarro*....The repopulation of Cuba with Spaniards is suggested by the *Voz de Cuba* newspaper, as a means of getting rid of the enemies of Spain....The report that the Cuban Junta has hired parties to assassinate the Spanish Minister has been received in Havana....The steamer *Anna* is still in custody of the United States authorities at Charleston.

GENERAL.

Dispatches from Havana confirm the report of the capture of Port-au-Prince. The fate of SALNAVE is unknown.

CALDWELL was discharged on Saturday by Judge COURSOL, at Montreal, on the charge of MERCER, and before the warrant for his arrest on other charges was served he made his escape. This was achieved in an exceedingly bold manner. Immediately after the announcement of his discharge his counsel walked him out of the Court room, and locked the door right in the face of the High Constable, who was just behind and on the point of serving the warrant. When the door was opened he was out of sight. The Consul-General has offered a reward for his arrest.

A Washington dispatch says Hon. WM. STRONG, of Pennsylvania, will be nominated to the Senate as the successor of Associate Justice GRIER, of the Supreme Court.

A project in which New-York capitalists are said to be interested is entertained for constructing a levee on the west bank of the Missouri River, from the high lands of Missouri to the mouth of the St. Francis River in Arkansas; the levee to form the bed of a railroad.

Hon. REVERDY JOHNSON has rendered an opinion, by request, on the acts of the Maryland Legislature requiring the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company to pay into the Treasury one-fifth of the gross receipts from passenger travel over the Washington branch of their road. He declares that they are unconstitutional and void.

Great freshets in the Province of Chiapa, Mexico, have occurred. It is reported that over two hundred lives have been lost by drowning, and that many valuable arms have been destroyed....Fears of a general revolution in Mexico are daily increasing.

The Indiana Democratic State Convention met at Indianapolis Saturday, and State officers were nominated. The resolutions adopted generally opposed everything that Republicans favor. The principal resolves called for the repeal of the Tariff laws, the taxing of the bonds, and the abolition of the State banking system; also, declared that the five-twenties were payable in greenbacks. Repudiation was repudiated.

The package of $31,000 in bonds, for the Secretary of the Treasury, which recently mysteriously disappeared in the office of the Adams Express Company, in Washington, has been found.

The Georgia Legislature assembles at Atlanta to-day.

The billiard match between DEERY and DION, in San Francisco on Saturday evening, for the championship of the United States, a cue set with diamonds and $1,000, resulted in favor of DEERY by a score of 1,500 to 1,492.

The telegraph operators' strike threatens to collapse. In several cities the operators have returned to their employment.

Hon. WM. A. RICHARDSON has been selected as the President of the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad, for the purpose of conciliating present differences.

It is said that the presence of the son of President LOPEZ in Washington is to induce our Government to renew diplomatic relations with Paraguay.

Messrs. FISK and GOULD, of the Erie Railway Company, were brought before the Oyer and Terminer Court in Passaic County, N. J., on Saturday, on a charge of conspiring to defraud by taking excessive rates of freight from the Rogers Locomotive Company of Paterson, for transporting locomotives. About 400 suits are to be commenced against the Erie Company for alleged overcharges for carrying freight.

LOCAL.

Three brothers named STANLEY, aged 12, 10 and 4 years respectively, last evening were playing on the ice on the pond between Sixty-third and Sixty-fourth streets, and near Fifth-avenue, when it broke and they were precipitated into the water. The two elder were rescued with difficulty, but the youngest was drowned. The body was subsequently recovered and taken to the residence of the parents, corner Twenty-sixth-street and Third-avenue.

At 7 o'clock last night a fire broke out in the First Reformed Church, on Market-street, Newark, and before its progress could be stayed a damage of $300 was caused. The fire originated from a defective flue. Fortunately, service had not commenced.

The National Land Company of this City have sold 48,000 acres of Kansas lands to a Scotch Emigration Company.

The light on Little Gull Island has been raised from a third to a second-class, and a second assistant keeper added. CHAS. SHUMAN, of Sag Harbor, has been appointed to the position.

From the Central Park meteorological report for the week ending Jan. 8, it appears that the mean height of the barometer was 29.801 inches; maximum, at 9 P. M., Jan. 5, 30.224 inches; minimum, at 4 P. M., Jan. 2, 28.988 inches; range, 1.236 inches. The mean of the thermometer was 33.8°; maximum, at 12 M., Jan. 2, 53.5°; minimum, at 12 P. M., Jan. 8, 18°; range, 35.5°. On Jan. 2, rain fell from 1 A. M. to 1:30 P. M., amount of water, 1.18 inch; Jan. 6, from 6:45 P. M. to 12 P. M., amount of water, .06 inch; Jan. 7th, from —— A. M. to 4 A. M., amount of water, .11 inch; Jan. 8, snow fell from 7:45 A. M. to 11:30 A. M., amount of water, .10 inch; total amount of water for week, 1.45 inch.

Our Present Taxation Inimical to Domestic Industry.

In pressing the duty upon Congress of reducing taxation, whether under the internal administration or the tariff, it must be remembered that this journal is speaking, not on a matter of theory, but upon stern facts which press upon every individual. The great middle class of consumers—the lawyers, physicians, clergymen, moderate merchants, mechanics and farmers—know how severely the present state of things presses upon their means; how difficult it is now, at the end of the year, "to make both ends meet." They do not always understand the reasons of the increased difficulties in supporting their families and laying up a little "for a rainy day," but they feel them continually.

Our especial object in the articles upon taxation in these columns, which have had so wide a circulation, is to show where the shoe pinches; how it is that the poor grow poorer and the rich richer under our present absurd system, and why it is an indispensable condition, even to resumption, that we should be relieved of some of these taxes.

If some of these heavy burdens laid upon all consumers were "protecting" a native industry, so that soon we should have a product cheaper, and were building up thus a domestic manufacture and a home market for agriculture, we as consumers might have some consolation for the load we were forced to carry. But it is because we see that many of our taxes have no sort of relation to "protecting" or building up a native industry, but rather to undermining what we possess, that they only benefit a few capitalists and not the people, that they lessen every man's means and cripple every other industry, and that they add very little to the national revenue. It is for such reasons that we protest against them and urge a thorough overhauling of our system of internal and customs taxation. The truth is, Congress has nearly taxed many branches of industry out of existence, and has made the expenses of every mode of production and every individual so great, that we can now hardly export a single manufacture which can compete, on foreign markets, with the products of the world. This defective system of taxation is felt personally by every man, woman and child throughout the country in their daily expenses. All manufactures, all agriculture experience it. Our taxes are slowly destroying the industrial life of the nation.

We are running in debt to foreign nations about $200,000,000 per annum. Every year this country is less able to pay this great indebtedness. We cannot manufacture at sufficient profit to be able to export our own products in payment. If specie payments could be resumed this year, it is doubtful if we could keep the gold in the country, so constant and heavy is our foreign indebtedness. Thus in manufactured cottons, which used to be one of our strong points, we were only able to export $5,871,000 in currency value in 1869, against $10,934,000 (gold) in 1860, or about one-quarter of the former. In woolens our export was even less in proportion, having fallen off sixty per cent. the past year, amounting only to the small sum of $160,000, while Great Britain during the same year exported $129,000,000. In one branch, the manufacture of boots and shoes, we formerly considered ourselves preëminent. Ten years ago, no country could compete with the United States in the quickness, cheapness and efficiency with which a boot or shoe could be made. Since then, our machinery has been improved. But now, such is the burden of our defective system of taxation, a boot or shoe costs more in gold than it did in 1858; and as a consequence we cannot exchange them with the products of foreign countries, where they are manufactured more cheaply. The export has declined from $1,339,000 in 1863, to $681,706 in 1867, and $475,050 in 1869. Again, this country has possession alone of machinery which can manufacture combs, piano keys and other articles of ivory, cheaper than anywhere else. But so heavy is the tax on ivory that there is now scarcely any export of these articles from the United States. In exclusively domestic manufactures, we all know how entirely shipbuilding has been destroyed by our taxation, so that while our increase of tonnage in 1867 ought to have been, according to the past average, 500,000 tons, it was only 50,000, thus throwing out of employment (according to a trustworthy estimate) in that one year 40,000 men in building, equipping and sailing vessels. Or we may take a smaller branch yet, employing $20,000,000 of capital—the silk and fur hat manufacture. Here, with duties of sixty per cent. on the raw material, the cost is so heightened that the export is almost entirely cut off, and the demand at home reduced twenty-five per cent. during the past three years. All the revenue derived from this branch is $800,000, and the domestic manufacture cannot compete with the foreign.

These instances could be multiplied by the scores, where taxation direct and indirect has eaten out the vitals of our industries. Expenses of production are rendered so heavy that we cannot compete with foreign countries, while every one is paying a useless tax. When will Congress have courage for a thorough reform?

Terms of the Dominican Treaties.

To-day the President will send to the Senate, as our correspondent has informed us, two treaties,—one for the lease of the Bay of Samana, the other for the annexation of San Domingo to the United States.

Thus this long-pending negotiation bids fair, in one or other of the two shapes in which its results are now laid before Congress, to come to an end. Should we go back to the very origin of these proposals, we should find that investigations were made regarding the Island of Hayti, with a view to its occupancy by us, many years ago. But it was not until the late rebellion showed the imperative necessity of our possessing a coaling, supply, and repair station of our own in the West Indies, that this general desire took definite form in propositions for purchase. As all the world knows, the first proposal (still pending) was made for St. Thomas and St. John. But, towards the close of 1866, Mr. SEWARD fixed his eyes on San Domingo, and especially on the Bay of Samana. Early in the following year Mr. FREDERICK SEWARD sailed for San Domingo, where he was to make inquiries respecting the renting or purchase of the bay; and, in fact, it was generally understood, and we believe it to be true, that a portion of the money thought to be necessary for the purchase of a harbor in the West Indies was taken with him. However, BAEZ and CABRAL were then fighting for the possession of the Republic, and one of the latter's war cries was hostility to the sale. Nothing, therefore, was done. But in due time, BAEZ found his star in the ascendant, and negotiations were renewed. It is understood that the price then offered by Mr. SEWARD was two millions for Samana Bay and Peninsula. However that may be, the whole Republic is now offered to us by BAEZ for one and a half millions.

And perhaps it is this consideration which will operate to make the real question for decision the one regarding the annexation treaty. If the figures given by our Washington correspondent be correct, it must at first seem that the whole of the Republic can be bought for less than a part—the former for a million and a half, and the latter for two millions. This would seem also to imply that the Republic will pay us half a million for the privilege of being annexed, on the ground that it is worth that to take such a country into the Union. But the truth of the matter is that by getting the bay and peninsula we get all that is of value to us, and by taking the balance we assume the Dominican debt. What that may amount to in a country where exchange has lately been quoted at such extraordinary figures we cannot surmise. It is not indeed quite as puzzling as the case of Hayti, where "exchange is 4,000," but our correspondent tells us that the currency represents a nominal value of about $2,000,000, which, it is estimated, could be easily bought out for $100,000. Besides this, the debt of the Republic is about $1,200,000; so that it will be seen why it is that in West Indian real estate that is literally true which we sometimes pronounce to be metaphorically true of New-York real estate—"you can buy cheaper than you can hire."

However, it is fair to add that for our million and a half down and our assumption of the debt we should get some assets. There are public buildings, forts, &c., "estimated to be worth from $600,000 to $800,000," and which, therefore, would pretty certainly be worth, all told, from $50,000 to $100,000. Then we get GABB and his gold fields, about which we used to hear in Mr. SEWARD's days. For, ever since California was acquired, our people look even a gift horse in the mouth, to see if there is gold in his teeth. When Russian America was in the market, comparatively little was said about seals, but very much about the "gold on the Stekeen." We even had stories of exploring parties in search of the precious metal; for those who had the affair in charge rightly judged that people would be carried away more by the glitter of the superficial than by the worth of the solid and substantial. In like manner, with regard to San Domingo, it has been hard for two years to get an elaborate official comparison of San Domingo with the other Antilles, and of Samana Bay with the harbor of St. Thomas. But we have been flooded with accounts of Professor GABB's explorations among the "gold-bearing strata of San Domingo." Yet what do we want of Alaskan ores and San Domingo quartz, with all Colorado lying unexhausted?

However, let us reckon up all the assets—quarts, forts, and custom houses. And then, as we did not forget the Aleutian fisheries so we will not forget the practical advantage of Samana Bay. It is this last, after all, that is important. Annexation is a means, not an end. The port is what we want—the safe naval station. We must have such a station, both in peace and in war; and the prospects of the Darien Canal make the need more imperative. If this need can be best supplied, as it probably can, by taking all San Domingo, it should be taken. But it is the naval station and not the gold fields that we want.

Industrial Co-Operation.

The rapid extension of the principle of industrial coöperation among the large enterprises of the Old World is no less remarkable than its continued neglect by capitalists here. The idea was first applied, with indifferent success, in France, it has to some extent been adopted in Germany, but it has been most extensively and successfully developed in England. In continental Europe it originated among the workmen, and the difficulties attending its embodiment arose mainly from the futile endeavor to dispense with the aid of capital in carrying out their plans. In England, on the contrary, the initiative was taken by one or two large employers, and the successful issue of the experiment is mainly due to the harmonious alliance which was thereby effected between labor and capital. In 1864 a law passed the British Legislature authorizing what was termed "Industrial Partnerships," thereby enabling an employer to pay his workmen by means of a proportionate share in his profits without conferring on them either the character or rights of partners. Perhaps the largest concern based upon this enactment is the great carpet manufactory of F. CROSSLEY & SONS, which covers an area of nineteen acres, is valued at $7,400,000 gold, and which employs 4,500 men, women, and children, all of whom have every facility afforded them for becoming shareholders in this great centre of production.

But the most instructive example of the origin and beneficial action of the new system is afforded by the history of the Whitwood and Methley Collieries. This property, owned by the Messrs. BRIGGS, is capable of yielding upwards of 5,000 tons of coal per week, and its total estimated value is $675,000 gold. In 1862 the annual profits only reached four and one-third per cent. on the capital; in 1863 they sunk to three and one-half per cent., and the result of the following year was still more disastrous. The proprietors attributed this state of things to the effects of continued strikes and to a lack of interest in their work which their unsatisfactory relations with their employers produced in the workmen. An examination of the subject convinced them that could the colliers be induced to take greater care in extracting the coal a saving of three to four per cent. would be effected, and could they further be got to devote more attention to assorting the various qualities, another saving would result, and from both at least $15,000 gold, otherwise wasted, would be added to the profits. To enlist the self-interest of their workmen, and thereby not only evade the disturbing influence of strikes but also enhance the efficiency and productive power of their labor, the Messrs. BRIGGS resolved to reconstitute their business under the Industrial Partnership act. Their gross capital of $675,000 was divided into 9,000 shares of $75 each, of which only $50 was at first called up. As a means of giving all the workmen, whether shareholders or not, an interest in the prosperity of the undertaking, it was resolved that whatever percentage of profit above ten per cent. was realized should be divided equally, one-half belonging to the shareholders and another being given in the shape of an annual bonus to all employed at the collieries, without respect to any direct pecuniary interest in the concern.

The result amply justified the favorable anticipations which the Messrs. BRIGGS had confidently entertained. In 1866 they were able to distribute a return of twelve and a-half per cent. among the partners, and to give away a bonus of two and a half per cent. to the *employés*. In 1867 the total profit amounted to fourteen per cent., yielding a bonus of two per cent., which amounted to $9,000. Last year the surplus profit reached the sum of $30,000, leaving a bonus of $15,000 to be divided according to the amount of their annual earnings among the workmen. At first the disposition of the colliers to invest in shares was rather languid, but after some experience of the practical working of the scheme, joined to a conviction of the perfect good faith of their principals, they entered more warmly into the acquisition of stock, and own at present a rapidly increasing proportion of it.

Stimulated by the success of the Whitwood experiment, other establishments, various in character and extent, have adopted the same system. Among the largest of these are another colliery company, two iron works, a cotton mill, a pottery, a glass work and a printing establishment. The Clayton Plate and Bar Iron Company, of which Mr. JACOB BRIGHT is a director, extended the application of a principle partially adopted in the scheme of the Messrs. BRIGGS, by giving their customers a direct interest in their annual profits. Their plan is, first to divide ten per cent. among all their shareholders, and whatever profit is forthcoming in excess of that is apportioned in three equal parts, one of which is added to the shareholders' percentage, another is divided by way of bonus among the workmen, and the third is distributed among the buyers of their productions, according to the value of their purchases.

By means of these organizations at least 20,000 workingmen are at the present time reaping the benefit of profits which their own industry has created, and which without some such stimulus would have had no existence. Employers and employed are thus equally benefited, and the chronic war between labor and capital is altogether averted. If such a scheme is found to answer in the highly developed industries of England, it is not too much to expect that its adoption would give no slight impetus to the prosperity of our own rising centres of production.

The Nineteenth Century in Japan.

The racy author of the "Trip to Sybaris," produced a curious effect of amused surprise in his readers, by picturing cities, famous in classic history, as overrun with Yankee inventions and modern improvements. Hardly less incongruous with all our preconceived ideas of Japan does the assurance of the *Alta California* at first appear, that "passenger steamers, stages, hacks, private carriages, shirts, shoes, trousers, stove-pipe hats, English saddles, livery stables, tin ware, soap and a number of other Caucasian notions" are coming into use among the Japanese, and are gaining in favor. We are not even to have the rectangular coins any more for wondering curiosity, but only round ones, as with other "civilized" people—a round coin, we suppose, being a mark of advance in enlightenment. The Japanese workshops, too, are coming to be conducted "on the European plan"—in a word, the nineteenth century is making itself felt in the realms of the Mikado.

In treating of our policy regarding Japan and China, Professor PUMPELLY declares that we must change altogether the notions we are acting on; that we are dealing with a people on whom we are far more dependent than they on us, and yet are hoping to create among them the principal markets for the products of our industry. His argument, of course is, that, as our products are not of a nature which suppose decay and degradation among the consumers, but rather life, activity, and enterprise, we must abandon the former supposition in our political and international dealings. And it seems to us that there is philosophy as well as good business sense in this view of the case. Our traditional notions of the Japanese—we mean those of our people in general—are based on what we have read in childhood, and are as inaccurate as were the sources whence we derived our information.

What we need, therefore, to do, is to change our own views of the Japanese, so as to bring things in harmony with the facts of the case. There are two policies, speaking in general terms, entertained by Western people in reference to the Asiatics. One of these regards Eastern Asia simply as a land to be possessed and plundered—to be entered here and there and everywhere, with a view to destruction, and to carrying off the "loot" that may be had. The other, and the wiser policy, looks to finding or making in that vast continent new and permanent markets for our industry, new wants which we may supply. This latter, therefore, aims not at tearing down, but at building up; not at sapping vitality, but at reinforcing vitality. Professor PUMPELLY has well said that the indirect encouragement of anarchy or the forced introduction of opium are alike deleterious to Western interests, looked at in a large and statesmanlike way. "Both justice and our own interests," he adds, "demand that our diplomacy with these people shall start, not from the assumption that they are an inferior race, but that, owing to continued isolation, they now are a century or more behind us; and this not in all things, but in a few of those essential points of our civilization at which Western nations have successively arrived at recent dates." We need hardly add that such a foundation-point for policy would reverse the whole Asiatic diplomacy of Eastern nations. And the result would be, as the author just quoted claims, that what Turkey is to-day to Europe, Eastern Asia, if not rendered self-dependent, would be to the world.

Rightly considered, however, the present "revolutionary era of Japan," as the *Alta California* calls it, need not be regarded as one of such anarchy, as it would be impolitic in us to encourage. Undoubtedly the Tycoon, or old political ruler, was our friend. One reason why STOTSBASHI was overthrown was his being known as the friend of the foreigners, and the chief Daimios suffered by his liberality in opening ports to us in his own districts. But though the overthrow was complete, and the Mikado now exercises an authority never assumed by him before, and though his former powerless councilors are now Ministers of the Empire, yet it is by no means sure that the result will be opposed to our interests. On the contrary, the paper just referred to tells us that the Southern Princes have begun to quarrel, and dislike SATSUMA; that it is thought probable that STOTSBASHI, simply because of his ability and his popularity with foreigners, will occupy an influential position in the Government; and that the feudal system will soon be materially changed, if not overthrown. In this event, it is clear that progress will be the order of the day.

Will Congress, representing the people, be indifferent to the demand of the people for greatly reduced taxation? That is the question of the day, and it is one which must be quickly, plainly answered—yea or nay. We have again and again shown by citations from the Republican Press that the great bulk of its influence is in favor of the relief which reduced taxes alone can give. To-day we present further expressions of opinion by the Albany *Evening Journal*, the St. Louis *Democrat*, the Sacramento *Union*, the Boston *Journal*, the Hartford *Courant*, the Indianapolis *Journal*, and the South Bend *Register*—all newspapers whose views are entitled to consideration by the powers that be at Washington.

Among the letters which have been called forth by an article in these columns on the duties of attorneys towards men of notorious ill-repute, there is one which we are not allowed to publish, but which contains a point worth notice. We are reminded that attorneys and counselors in this State are public officers—officers of the Court, endowed with exclusive powers and privileges, and liable to be stripped of these and discharged from office upon motion for unprofessional or dishonest conduct. So far our correspondent. We fear, however, that the conduct of the attorney who consented to become an instrument in the hands of professional swindlers would not often expose him to this punishment. It is open to doubt whether an attorney could legally be expelled from his profession for advocating or defending any cause which came to him through the regular channels. But a man cannot take dishonest practice without degrading himself, and sacrificing his good name with the public. He may grow rich on the dirty work; but he has deliberately bartered private honor for wealth. Of course a rascal will get a lawyer of high position to act as his agent if possible, but the attorney's interest ought not to be quite identical with the rascal's!

An unusual phenomenon was visible in Broadway on Saturday. It happened that snow fell in the morning, and the general run of people began to make up their minds to wade through mud and water for the next three weeks. In the midst of these gloomy anticipations, a wonderful sign appeared. It was not the aurora borealis by daylight, nor the sudden descent upon the earth of blood-red snow—although both these portents have ere now been seen. The wonder of Broadway was equally startling, though not of celestial origin, and it naturally attracted crowds of spectators. In a word, it was the spectacle of a strong force of men sweeping the road and carting off the snow—almost as soon as it fell. The celebrated Dr. CUMMING, if he had seen the sight, would undoubtedly have taken it as a sign that the millenium was at hand. We know that the contractor is applying for more money, but it would be ungenerous to attribute his sudden zeal to that gratitude which looketh forward to favors to come. We prefer to suppose that with the beginning of the year he has turned over a new leaf. The public would be quite as ready to appreciate any such evidences of good faith as it has been to condemn persistent and scandalous breaches of contract.

Some curious facts in connection with recent large seizures of whisky in California have been furnished to us from a source which we believe to be trustworthy. On the face of this communication it would appear that a rather aggravated kind of hardship has been inflicted on business men, and that one of the California Senators has been made a party to the injustice. It is possible that the Senator could put a different interpretation upon the affair. But after a full inquiry, as it is now asserted, and a proper report from a special Commissioner certifying that the whisky had been unjustly seized, the Senator went very much out of his way to secure its continued detention, and even invoked the authority of the Senate in support of his designs. He has succeeded, for the property is still unreleased, and great loss has been occasioned. This is the general statement, and Senator COLE ought in justice to himself to let us know how far it is accurate. At present he stands charged with being the cause of an act of injustice.

Mr. BATEMAN considers that some injustice has been done to him in the publication of the resolution arrived at by a committee of the Manhattan Club on Friday evening. He holds that the proceedings of the Committee were private, and that any member of the Club who gave information about them is liable to expulsion. On that point it is our duty at once to say that the account which we published was obtained and furnished in the ordinary course of business by one of our City reporters, and was inserted simply as any other item of news would be. For the rest, Mr. BATEMAN places before us a copy of a very clear and explicit letter of resignation which he sent to the Committee, and in which he expressed his regret at quitting the Club, but protested that he would not have "administered personal chastisement" to the other member concerned if he had not been fully convinced that no apology would be made to him, and that no other opportunity of "coercing" an apology would be afforded. The affair is so purely personal in its character that we are undesirous of opening up any controversy upon it in these columns; but Mr. BATEMAN is in fairness entitled to have it stated that he did send in a letter of resignation to the Club, containing his reasons for acting as he is reported to have done.

The affair of the *Miantonomoh* and the *Maria* is not made the less extraordinary by the fuller particulars which have come to light in reference to it. The vessels encountered rather heavy weather, but then it has always been said that the *Miantonomoh* was as "steady as a rock," and was almost proof against storms. On this occasion, however, it is admitted that she "rolled considerably and steered wildly." The feedpipe of the *Maria* burst, and she hailed the *Miantonomoh* to inform the officers of the occurrence. Very shortly afterward the monitor dashed into the tug at the rate of eight knots an hour, killing the men below, and sending her hapless consort to the bottom in less than a minute. The case seems to call for official investigation. The Government has lost over $100,000 by the "accident," several men have been killed and others temporarily ruined. We hope the *Miantonomoh* is not coming back to this port.

Mr. IRA D. WARREN sends us an explosive sort of letter in reference to our statement that a certain Judge of this City gave as a reason for one of his decisions that he "could not go back on his friend." Mr. WARREN is pleased to call the article in question "unwarrantable"—though how he can be sure of that, or what enables him to express any opinion upon the subject, he does not inform us. We may even have the presumption to question whether Mr. WARREN is authorized to decide on what is "warrantable" or otherwise in a public journal. As for his remarks in reference to Judge DRUMMOND and the Superior Court at Chicago, we must assume that they are not a violation of such professional etiquette as prevails at the New-York Bar. We have now only to repeat that the statement we made is true in every particular, though whether Mr. WARREN was or was not concerned in the case referred to we are not informed, and do not care to inquire. The facts are as we have already described them.

Something ought to be done to hunt down the ruffians who are endeavoring to make the United States the last refuge of cock-fighting. Mr. BERGH has tried hard to suppress the odious barbarity, but Mr. BERGH cannot be in two places at once, and it is clear that the brutes who get up these "mains" are contriving to elude the law. Most of the matches of which we hear have taken place in New-Jersey, probably somewhere in the neighborhood of Paterson. Cannot the Police of New-Jersey manage to beat up that district a little more effectually? One of the weekly papers gloats over a main which was held on Saturday. We extract a few particulars in order that uninitiated readers may properly appreciate the character of this "sport:" "This was a capital fight. A lucky blow for New-Jersey ended it, and the York cock lay dead with his throat cut." Again—"The New-York bird got a fair clip and buried his gaffs in the throat of his foe, and the fight was ended." Once more—"This was the hardest fight of the main. It was flip-flap and hard pounding all through. In a high fly the Jersey cock got a neat clip and brained the York cock, who fell dead at once." People may form some idea from these gems of description of the loathsome scenes which go on at these cockfights. Surely we need not appeal to the Police force everywhere to prevent outrages which disgrace human nature?

The paper on the "Poorer Classes," in yesterday's TIMES, will doubtless have struck a good many readers as suggesting the best kind of public charity, and the best way of dealing with the pauperism of great cities. The truest charity towards the poor is certainly the charity which would enable them "to provide for their own wants with the labor of their own hands," instead of crowding them into almshouses and, asylums. No doubt it is easier to *lump* them in the latter way and look the gates, but the other is a far better way. There are thousands of poor who, from ignorance, or their own faults, or other disabilities, are left to drift into dishonest ways and criminal courses who, if taken in hand and directed to employment where they are, or to the open regions of the West, would cease to be the burdens or posts of society. A civic bureau to deal with poverty in a general and intelligent way would probably be the best of our public institutions. Something has been done in this way already, but much more remains to be done.

We wonder if Mrs. THURSTON meant to satirize the State of Maine, by her extraordinary attempt to sell it to the highest bidder. She has probably heard how the African Jugurtha once declared that Rome would sell herself if she could only find a purchaser, and so made her application, by way of reflecting severely on the aforesaid State. Or she may be a leading member of the Sorosis, and really wishes to get Maine as a sort of Barataria for the Sisterhood, where they may freely make their experiments in social government. Or, perhaps she was crazy. But, in that case, Colonel DREW, the Secretary of State, would not have asked her to dinner. It is a puzzling piece of business altogether.

Governor Claflin's Message.

The Message which Governor CLAFLIN communicated to the Legislature of Massachusetts on Saturday is noteworthy from the fact that the topics which it discusses and the recommendations which it makes are such only as are of direct interest to the people of the Bay State. He congratulates them upon the fact that the past year has been one of unusual health and abundant prosperity, and that the opening of the new year has found the State in a satisfactory condition financially, its credit being in an enviable condition at home and abroad, and its bonds finding a ready sale at prices considerably higher than those of any other American security. The State debt has increased about two million dollars during the year, its aggregate now being $30,823,380, but the sinking funds established for its redemption have also increased proportionally, and now amount to nearly eleven and a half millions. Taking the State's capabilities into consideration, Governor CLAFLIN does not regard this debt as heavy, yet he urges, in view of the taxation which will continue to be necessary for national purposes, that the Legislature refuse to aid any new enterprises, bitter experience in the past having shown that whenever a project has been commenced under the patronage of the State, further and further demands are made, as in the case of the Hoosac Tunnel and the Troy and Greenfield Railroad, which the State has been compelled to assume, involving an expense, past and prospective, of nearly fifteen millions of dollars.

One of the most cheering items contained in the Message is the statement that the amount deposited in the savings banks of the State has increased nearly $17,500,000 during the past year. The whole amount now on deposit therein is over $112,000,000, with a reserve in addition of $2,500,000. The Governor highly commends the prudent management of these institutions, and he recommends that the amount which may be deposited by one individual be increased to $5,000. He also suggests that, as every facility should be afforded merchants and manufacturers to obtain the use of active capital, and as our national banking system does not allow an increase of banks in the State, the larger savings banks be opened to them.

The Governor refers with pardonable pride to the liberality of the people in providing for the education of their children, and urges that every effort be made not merely to keep the schools at their present high standard, but to increase their usefulness and enlarge their facilities, by affording teachers greater opportunities for training in the specific work of instruction and paying them more liberally.

The Governor makes many valuable suggestions respecting the penal and reformatory institutions of the State, and the treatment of criminals. The number of prisoners in the State Prison during the year has been larger than ever before, and has steadily increased. Their average age was 24 years, and a large number of them could not read or write. The Governor recommends that a separate institution be established for the reformation of young criminals, that separate places of confinement be provided for the women who are now sent to the common houses of correction, and that an inquiry be made whether it would not be for the best interests of the Commonwealth to enforce the work of classification thoroughly, that the incorrigible offenders may not be herded indiscriminately with the novices in crime.

The Governor says that during the six months in which the amended liquor law has been in force, much has been done to stop the general sale of liquor. He regards it as certain that the people will not submit patiently to the restoration of the open bar, "that relic of a less enlightened period," but admits that the present law is in some respects distasteful to the people, and that as all laws of any value must have at least the assent of the public, if not their earnest support, it would be advisable so to amend this law as to place it in accordance with the spirit of the age. This result he looks upon as possible, though difficult.

The Governor says that as public policy will justify special care of all the interests of the laboring men, whatever suggestions or requests they may make, coming within the legitimate scope of legislation, should receive most careful and cordial consideration. The depression of our commerce is alluded to in terms of regret, and it is urged that the true policy of the General Government would be to expend a small portion of the large sum annually devoted to the support of the navy, in encouraging an interest which in time of war would furnish men to man our vessels.

The Governor alludes briefly to national affairs, and congratulates the people on the probable early ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment. He pays an appropriate and feeling tribute to the memory of the citizens of the State who have died during the year; JOHN CLARKE, of Northampton, whose donations and bequests established the school for deaf mutes in that place, and GEORGE PEABODY, whose influence survives him in the noble institutions which he founded. Closing, Governor CLAFLIN urges the members so to shape their legislation as to retain as far as possible the sons of the State within the State, that they may enjoy the fruits of their fathers' labors, not so much in the wealth that may descend to them as in the means of happiness which are open to every one.

Rights of Territory in the National Cemeteries—Opinion of Attorney-General Hoar.

It is reported from Washington that Attorney-General HOAR will transmit to the Senate to-day, in obedience to the resolution calling for it, his opinion of July 29, 1869, as to whether the act of February 22, 1867, to establish and protect national cemeteries, is competent to vest in the United States exclusive jurisdiction over lands acquired for that purpose. After reciting the provisions of the law, which declares that the title to these national cemeteries shall be vested in the United States, and its jurisdiction over them shall be exclusive, Mr. HOAR cites the eighth section of the first article of the Constitution, and goes on to remark as follows:

"I am of opinion that under this provision of the Constitution there is no power in Congress to acquire or assert exclusive jurisdiction over any part of the territory of any State without the consent of the Leg

WASHINGTON.

Reassembling of Congress—The Questions of Finance and Taxation—The Reduction of Taxes—Mr. Boutwell and his Funding Policy—How he Looks Upon it—The Ways and Means and the Tariff.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Saturday, Jan. 8, 1870.

Congress meets again next Monday. The first subjects which will be considered with sufficient interest to thoroughly absorb all the elements in both Houses, are finance and taxation. The Ways and Means will, within a week, report a readjusted tariff,—or rather, an amended tariff, whereby it will be proposed to reduce taxation from that source about $25,000,000 to $30,000,000. This will be the first measure to be acted on in the House. In the Senate, the first financial measure likely to be considered is a Funding bill. It matters little what theories or arguments may be advanced, so far as the *possibility* of funding is concerned, Mr. BOUTWELL will unquestionably get the authority, and if he does he will certainly try the experiment. He seems to be very confident of success, and argues that we certainly can be no worse off than we are now, even if he should try it and fail. He differs *in toto* from the position, so widely held by the Press, that resumption is absolutely necessary to funding. He holds that the ability and willingness of the country to pay is the foundation of the national credit; that the only way to fund the debt at a lower rate is to maintain the credit at a high rate; that the only way to maintain the credit at a high rate is to demonstrate ability and determination to pay the debt, and that the only test by which such ability can be judged is the manner in which the people respond to the taxes. He believes that resumption can aid funding, but he also believes that funding will aid resumption by rendering it entirely safe and practicable to reduce taxation; that with such an enemy before us as the public debt we cannot safely surrender, to any large extent the means at our command to meet it. He looks upon the ability and willingness of the people to pay taxes, and thus place the debt where it can be managed, with as much faith as he did upon their ability and willingness to furnish men and money to put down the other public enemy in the field. For these and other reasons he wants the power fund, and if he gets it the process will be thoroughly tried. This is, in brief, the position of the Secretary of the Treasury, as I understand it, though I may not have stated his positions and arguments as forcibly and clearly as he does to any one who chooses to talk with him about it.

As to Congress, I think it safe to predict that it will not only give the Secretary his funding power, but it will also go on and reduce taxation to a certain extent. Neither House is insensible to the demand which is so urgent. Yet, while they fully appreciate the fact that taxes ought to be reduced, they will be grateful for all information showing where and how they can be reduced. They have started out in the House, as before stated, with a proposition to reduce the tariff by about twenty-five millions, and it is estimated that the reënactment of the income tax at a lower rate will reduce by fifteen millions more, with an estimate of five millions additional for sundry other features of the internal revenue list. This will be equal to forty or forty-five millions reduction, though possibly the stimulus given to importations by a reduction of the tariff on several articles would prevent the reduction in that direction from being apparent in the annual return.

Beyond this Congress is not likely to go, from present appearances. The Sinking Fund feature will be reënacted so as to cover into the fund all the purchases made thus far, and to fix the rate at which they shall be made hereafter. This rate will be one or, possibly, two per cent. per annum, it is impossible to tell which at present, so evenly does the sentiment of Congressmen seem divided on the subject. If Mr. BOUTWELL'S request to be allowed to go on and purchase until the requirements of the act are reached, the same as if the law had been executed from the date of its enactment, then the *regular* purchases will undoubtedly be fixed at *one* per cent. per annum; but if not, there will be an effort to fix them at *two* per cent.—or fifty millions per year in round numbers. The fulfillment of the requirements of the act from the date of its passage, Feb. 25, 1862, would necessitate the purchase, in addition to the present accumulation, of upwards of one hundred and forty millions of bonds, counting the reinvestment of the interest every six months, and would require over two years to accomplish it with the rate of purchases as they have averaged for the past eight months.

It is greatly to be regretted that the work of the Ways and Means Committee on the tariff will after all be very incomplete and fragmentary. It will not be a general revision of the list—only a reduction here and there, with an occasional change of classification, and probably, in some cases, a very injurious *increase* of the rate. There are some suspicious changes in the free list also, and one or two articles are classified as raw materials, the supply of which is monopolized by American companies, so that they get *their* raw materials free, to the ruin of all other competitors. The revision of the general list will be deferred until some future period. This is, perhaps, fortunate, as a majority of the present Committee seem entirely inadequate to the duty.

When the Tariff bill gets into the House there will be a general onslaught on its rates, especially by the Western members, and more hope for a reduction of taxation can be based upon the House than upon the Committee. Sugar, coffee, iron and two or three other leading staples will have a a hard struggle to get through the House without submitting to a further reduction than is proposed in Committee. CYMON.

The Virginia Question—The Gold Conspiracy—The Tariff Bill—Depositary Banks—Mr. Sumner on our Cuban Relations—Mr. Hoar and the Supreme Court Judges—Dominican Annexation.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The following letter addressed to Speaker TURNER, of the Virginia House of Delegates, who is now here as Chairman of the Committee of the Virginia Legislature, was received by him this morning. The signers comprise the legislative delegation of the City of Richmond and County of Henrico, and their evident desire is to insist upon immediate admission, without further conditions:

RICHMOND, Jan. 1, 1870.

To Hon. Zeph. Turner, Chairman of the Committee of the Virginia Legislature:

The undersigned members of the Legislature, from Richmond City and the County of Henrico, recognize your Committee as a correct expression of the feelings and purposes of their constituents in adopting the Constitution submitted to them in the last election, and a just interpretation of the pledge made by each of them in taking the oaths of office as legislators under the Constitution. They have seen no disposition on the part of the people since the election to regret or retract the action in this respect, and they therefore feel fully authorized, as the representatives of those who elected them, to concur in your memorial and ask through your Committee the immediate and unconditional admission of the State into the Union, upon the facts and pledges contained therein.

A. R. Courtenay, Charles Campbell and Norman Smith, Senators, and A. M. Kirby, Augustus Bodeker, Stephen Mason, G. K. Gilmer, L. H. Frayser, members House of Delegates.

THE GOLD INVESTIGATION.

General GARFIELD, Chairman of the Banking and Currency Committee, has returned from New-York and hopes to be able to arrange the preliminaries of the gold conspiracy investigation this week. The report that a sub-Committee was in New-York last week examining witnesses was erroneous. Mr. GARFIELD was there, but not specially on this business. It will be the aim of the Committee to be as thorough as possible, but they do not desire to waste any efforts in looking into channels that will yield nothing. Therefore some pains will be taken beforehand to ascertain who can testify to something and who cannot.

MR. SUMNER ON CUBAN RECOGNITION.

Senator SUMNER was waited on some time ago by a prominent member of the Cuban Junta in reference, of course, to the insurrection in that country. Mr. SUMNER gave the reasons why, in his opinion, the United States should not recognize the insurgents. "Then you are afraid of Spain," said the Cuban. "That is not a fair way of putting it," replied Mr. SUMNER. "I am not afraid of Spain, but I love my own country, to give you a more selfish answer. The power of Spain is not to be despised. Her navy is almost as large as ours, and we know from experience what the Confederates, who numbered only 11,000,000 of people, were able to do both on land and on sea, and the population of Spain is 18,000,000. But, apart from all these physical considerations, I do not think it internationally just to recognize the rebellion at the present time. The hour may come when we can do so consistently with our relations to the whole civilized world, but no lawyer who understands the question, and no statesman, believes that we could maintain our dignity and honor and take this course under existing circumstances."

THE TARIFF.

The Ways and Means Committee are literally run down by the advocates of special interests, and will have hard work to get the Tariff bill into the House this week, although they will endeavor to do so. They will to-morrow probably ask leave to sit during the sessions of the House in order to complete the bill this week.

DEPOSITARY NATIONAL BANKS.

The following is an extract from a letter from the United States Treasurer to a depositary national bank:

The Treasurer claims and will exercise the right to overdraw his account with a depositary national bank by draft or otherwise, to such an extent as to bring the indebtedness of the bank to the United States within the limit of its securities, whenever its aggregate indebtedness to the Government and its officers shall exceed such securities.

It is evident that in no other manner can the Government be protected from the risk of loss. The risk is the same whether the deposits stand to the credit of the Treasurer, or of disbursing officers, and the Treasurer is, in both cases, equally bound to protect the interests of the Government by bringing the indebtedness of the bank to the United States within the limit of its securities.

THE CHIEF JUSTICE AND MR. HOAR.

The statement that Chief Justice CHASE and other members of the Supreme Court have expressed themselves in favor of Judge HOAR'S confirmation, does not appear to be well founded. From the best information that can be obtained, it does not appear that they have said anything about it, which is becoming to their position.

RETURNING CONGRESSMEN.

The trains this morning brought quite a large number of Congressmen on their return from their holiday recess. The number here, however, is scarcely equal to a quorum of the House, though that may be the case before noon of to-morrow. There does not appear to be any great enthusiasm for work among members, and there is every indication of a long session.

OUR RELATIONS TO CUBA AND CANADA.

There is authority for the statement that measures are now being matured which, it is expected, will have an important effect on our foreign policy, and help to settle many of the questions now occupying so large a share of the public attention. Reference is more particularly made to Cuba and the Winnepeg rebellion, and a solution of all the difficulties of this character is by no means as improbable or far distant as may appear. The exact nature of these measures and negotiations is for very obvious reasons kept a matter of profound secrecy at present, but it is expected that they will have assumed such shape within the next few weeks as will warrant their publication.

MR. HOAR AND THE SENATE.

As time passes and the discussion on the prospects of Mr. HOAR'S confirmation are talked about, we get inklings of some of the stormy scenes which took place in the secret meeting of the Senate during the Executive Session, when he was laid on the table. It appears that Mr. SUMNER spoke no less than three times in favor of the confirmation. First he argued the question, then he entreated, and finally he was acrimonious and severe. In the course of his last speech he said that a spirit of revenge and vindictiveness had entered the Chamber. Mr. HOWARD of Michigan, jumped to his feet and called Mr. SUMNER to order. A scene of confusion ensued. The Vice-President fumbled over the *Manual*. Mr. SUMNER asked Mr. HOWARD to take the words down and have them read, smiling pleasantly at the Michigan Senator at the same time, as much as to say to him, "You will find that I am in order." Finally Mr. HOWARD withdrew his objection, and thus ended the storm.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

SAN DOMINGO.

The following abstract of the proposed treaty for the annexation of the Republic of San Domingo to the United States is, in a few particulars, more complete than that printed in the TIMES on Saturday morning:

First—The United States stipulate to pay the sum of $1,500,000.

Second—This money is to be devoted to the liquidation of all the obligations of the Republic of San Domingo, including the redemption of its currency, which is represented to be of comparatively small amount.

Third—In case the obligations to be assumed by the United States shall exceed the before-mentioned sum of $1,500,000, the public lands of San Domingo are pledged as security for the excess.

Fourth—The liquidation of the obligations is to be intrusted to Commissioners, one to be appointed by each of the contracting parties.

Fifth—In consideration of the discharge of these obligations, San Domingo cedes to the United States all ports, docks, custom houses and all other public buildings, arsenals, &c., and complete jurisdiction over the territory.

Sixth—San Domingo to be annexed or acquired as a Territory, and not as a State, and subject to the legislation of Congress in the same manner as the Territories of the United States.

Seventh—The treaty to be valid to all intents and purposes, when ratified by the Senate of the United States, and confirmed by the vote of the majority of the citizens of San Domingo.

LOPEZ'S SON.

There is much said with regard to the visit of the son of President LOPEZ to this city. The truth is he has come hither to represent the interests of his father, and to induce the Administration to renew diplomatic intercourse with Paraguay. The principal obstacles in the way of such renewal is the uncertainty of the present locality of LOPEZ, it not being positively known whether he is in his own or some other territory, and that at about the same time young LOPEZ arrived here, information was received that the Allies were the masters of Paraguay, and therefore the Lopez Government was no longer in practical existence.

THE SUCCESSOR OF JUDGE GRIER.

There is no doubt that Hon. WILLIAM STRONG, of Pennsylvania, will, according to the present intention of the President, be nominated to the Senate as the successor of Associate Justice GRIER, for which place the late Mr. STANTON was confirmed. The nomination may not be transmitted to the Senate for several weeks, as Mr. GRIER will not retire from his position until the 1st of February.

A MISSOURI LEVEE.

Through the efforts of Representative ROOTS, of Arkansas, arrangements have been consummated with heavy New-York capitalists, whereby the work of making a levee down the west bank of the Missouri, from the high lands of Missouri to the mouth of the St. Francis River, in Arkansas, will be immediately commenced and vigorously prosecuted to completion. The plan is to build a railroad, the bed of which shall be a solid embankment, thus securing a substantial levee, by individual enterprise and such State aid as may be granted, without waiting for or asking assistance from the National Government.

A SHIPPING NOTICE.

The Department of State has received from the Consulate at St. Helena the following:

On and after June 30, 1870, the commercial code of signals, exclusively, will be used at the signal station at Ladder Hill in making or answering signals to and from the passing shipping.

By command of H. E. JANICH,
Colonial Secretary, St. Helena.

OCEAN STEAMSHIPS.

The following is a copy of a letter lately sent to the Postmaster-General:

TEMPORARY OFFICE OF THE INTERNATIONAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
NEW YORK, Jan. 4, 1870.

SIR: I have the satisfaction to inform you that we have this day agreed upon the terms and conditions with the builders for the construction of our two first steamships, and that two more shall follow. The dimensions of these are 500 feet length, 66 feet width, 33 feet depth; the interior arrangements to be in accordance with the drawings which I had the honor to show you in October last. Speed to be twenty-five miles per hour in smooth water, a capability to cross the ocean in fair weather in six and a half days, and on an average time of eight days. They are all to be built of iron, double in form, having all the provisions for safety which were named as requisites at our interview in October. I have the honor to be, with great respect,

Your obedient servant,
JAMES ROSE W. THOMPSON, President.

To Hon. J. A. J. CRESWELL, Postmaster-General.

THE RUSSIAN EXHIBITION.

The following letter has been received at the Department of State:

CONSULATE OF THE UNITED STATES,
RIVAL, Russia, Nov. 30, 1869.

SIR: In the latest American newspapers that have arrived here there is an extract from the proceedings of the National Commercial Convention, in which it is stated that Commissioners will be sent to the Universal Russian Exposition, at St. Petersburg, in May, 1870, and asking for samples and articles for exhibition. It is there intimated that these Commissioners will be named by the President. I deem it my duty to inform you that this Exposition is not universal, but is simply an exhibition of Russian products and manufactures solely. Foreign articles will not be admitted. There is therefore no necessity for the appointment of the Commissioners proposed, unless the Government wishes to have special intelligence by experts on the ordinary articles of Russian production.

I have the honor to be, &c.,
(Signed,) EUGENE SCHUYLER,
United States Consul.

To Hon. HAMILTON FISH.

AMUSEMENTS.

Musical.

THE PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

The one hundred and twenty-third concert of the Philharmonic Society, and the second of the present season, was given at the Academy of Music on Saturday night, when, with commendable fidelity, the following programme was submitted: Part I.—Symphony, in C, (first time in America,) RAFF—1. Allegro. 2. Andante con moto. 3. Allegro vivace. 4. Piu mosso; Concerto, in D major, for the violin, (first part,) MOZART, with orchestral accompaniment, Herr OLE BULL: Second Concerto, for pianoforte and orchestra, F minor, CHOPIN, Mr. S. B. MILLS. Part II.—Overture, "King Lear," BERLIOZ; Fantasia, from the opera of "Romeo," BELLINI, composed and performed by Herr OLE BULL; Overture, "Jubel," WEBER. To this chaste and, classically speaking, almost unexceptionable entertainment, a numerous audience gave close attention and moderate applause. The house was in most parts uncomfortably full, although some private boxes remained empty. The heat was excessive—a state of things charming no doubt to bloodless and fleshless people, but not so delightful to unfortunates of average healthy condition. The problem of ventilating our theatres and public halls has yet to be solved. An atmosphere which resembles neither that of an ice-well nor an oven should somehow be made possible. In a climate of violent extremes this, of course, is not easy, but it is the American fashion to conquer difficulties, and that of steadily combining agreeable warmth with a fair share of oxygen may, we trust, be classed ere long among our achievements.

Repeated hearings are essential to the formation of an intelligent opinion of Herr RAFF'S symphony. It was played at this concert for the first time in America, and played remarkably well. The Philharmonic orchestra was heard, as we think, to better advantage in it than in any previous work of the season. The symphony is full of talent, of profound learning, of quaint and sparkling turns of expression, but it is not the production of a man of decided originality or genius. It reminds one too often and too unmistakably of the composer's teachers and exemplars. Familiarity will doubtless lead to a recognition of beauties that escape us now. At present our impression is that of a paucity and attenuation of melodic effect, in spite of the easy and flowing character that pervades nearly the whole of the composition. There are judges whose views are entitled to respect, who credit RAFF with first-rate powers. We do not think this symphony, admirable as in parts it is, justifies so exalted an estimate. Whatever the scale of his merits, he could not well have been better interpreted than he was on this occasion. The orchestra did themselves abundant credit by the delicacy, feeling and sympathetic accord with which they described the various movements.

Mr. BULL delighted the public by his masterly performance of MOZART'S Concerto. The magnetism of this violinist's presence seems to do nearly as much for him as his professional skill. We do not think this occasion was among his most inspired ones. Yet the old charm was never lacking—the charm wherewith he binds together wondrous execution with dreamy poetic feeling, and his bow was as ever with his audience simply an enchanter's wand. The subsequent fantasia from BELLINI'S "Romeo," the most "popular" number of the evening, was received with great approbation, and Mr. BULL was of course recalled after each of his selections. The exquisitely symmetrical concerto in F minor of CHOPIN was played by Mr. S. B. MILLS in a manner worthy of itself—praise which no hyperbole could surpass. The passion and imagination of this splendid composition can only be felt and depicted by a kindred spirit, and we have scarcely heard Mr. MILLS sustain his claim to the highest position in his sphere so clearly and undeniably as he did on Saturday. The second part of the programme was ushered in by the "King Lear" overture of BERLIOZ. We can conceive what a composer must almost inevitably *try* to indicate in an attempt of this sort, but the meaning of BERLIOZ hardly comports with this or aught else that is intelligible. The music of madness must have method in it, or at least coherence enough to retain attention and interest. Mere power over instruments no more than mere power over words implies capacity for the grandest reaches of art. Either are but the counters or representatives of ideas, and not the ideas themselves. The orchestration of "King Lear," scientifically fine as it is, cannot alone make it a great work. Its general effect is confused and disappointing—teaching us nothing and reminding us of nothing unless, indeed, it be the German metaphysician's definition of the universe, which, according to him, is: "Nothing, smashed up."

The second concert for the season of the Philharmonic Society, must be set down as decidedly a better one than the first. It was, that is to say, of a higher grade and presented features less obnoxious to question. On the other hand it was, as a whole, duller than its predecessor, and offered fewer points of interest and variety. These elements are required in a measure that the directors apparently fail to perceive, in order to make the Philharmonic Concerts in all respects what they should be.

Theatrical.

THE THEATRES TO-NIGHT.

Mr. FECHTER and Miss CARLOTTA LECLERCQ make their first appearance in this country at Niblo's Theatre, this evening. The house will of course be crowded to suffocation, and, in all probability, by the most intelligent and cultured audience assembled since the opening night of Booth's. "Ruy Blas" is the play. Mr. FECHTER is to represent *Ruy Blas*; Miss LECLERCQ the *Princess*; Mrs BRADSHAW the *Duchess*; Mr. SHEWELL, *Don Salluste*; Mr. BANGS, *Don Cæsar*, and Mr. T. E. MORRIS the *Marquis de Santa Cruz*. At Wallack's, "Ours," Mr. ROBERTSON'S semi-spectacular piece, is to be given, with fresh scenery and accessories. Mr. LESTER WALLACK fills in it the part he "created" here in this very attractive work. At Wood's, "Ixion" will be reproduced by the associated blondes. Mr. MACE commences a brief engagement at the Bowery. The bills elsewhere show no change of importance.

The Case of Caldwell—His Escape From the Court Room in Montreal.

From the Montreal Witness, Jan. 8.

According to the decision of Justices BADGLEY and MONCK yesterday, the prisoner CALDWELL was remanded back to jail that he might be brought before Mr. Judge of Sessions COURSOL this morning, for further examination under the new warrant issued against him on the deposition of MERCIER, of New-York, who charges CALDWELL with forging signatures to a bill of exchange.

At 11 o'clock this morning the prisoner, R. B. CALDWELL, in accordance with the remand, was brought up before Mr. Judge COURSOL for disposal, when the Court, instead of beginning to take evidence, delivered judgment in the case, in substance as follows:

"On the 27th December last, I remanded the prisoner CALDWELL for eight days, the longest period Mr. Monck or any Police remand must, as I believed it impossible that further proceedings would be necessary. During that time CALDWELL was brought before a Judge of the Court of Queen's Bench in Chambers, under a writ of *habeas corpus*, and so held till my remand had elapsed. It is true, the Judge, Mr. Justice BADGLEY, has made a remand ordering the prisoner to appear before me at 10:30 this morning, but it appears to me from the recent decision in Chambers, which it is not for me to criticise, that this may be objected to as irregular, and therefore I discharge the prisoner on the complaint of MERCIER."

There were a number of people in the Court room at the time of the rendering of the above judgment, and CALDWELL, as soon as he was discharged, rose from his chair, walked across to the petit jury box and made his exit by the door on the south side of the Bench, and which leads to the Civil Chambers, in the western end of the building. In a minute afterwards the High Constable and several officers were running about the building in search of CALDWELL, but no CALDWELL could be found. Chief MCLAUGHLIN was at once notified of his escape, and ten men of the Government Police were stationed around the Court House building, awaiting the advent of CALDWELL while the search was being prosecuted through the interior. Up to 12:30 he had not been found.

EDWIN M. STANTON.

His Life and Distinguished Services—Personal Recollections of an Intimate Friend.

Judge WILLIAM JOHNSTON, of Cincinnati, delivered before the Bar of that city on Friday evening an able, thorough and noteworthy address upon the life, services and character of EDWIN M. STANTON, from which we make the following extracts:

HIS CALUMNIATORS.

Instead of following our departed brother through a practice of five and twenty years, and depicting scenes familiar to every lawyer, allow me to notice some of the bad things that have been said of him since he came to have enemies. I have heard him accused of personal and selfish ambition. If he had not served his country and his race so well in the time of trial, I should have said that the lack of ambition was a defect in his character. During the long protracted reign of the Democratic Party he might have had anything he desired. They were constantly placing his inferiors in high places, and would have been glad to do themselves honor by numbering him among them. But he never sought for any office or place of honor in this life, and if his country had not stood on the brink of destruction, and required his aid, he never would have held such a place. Another charge made against Mr. STANTON, is that he was a coarse, harsh, cruel man. He had improved but little by the training of dancing masters. He had but little of the *suaviter in modo*. He had a contempt for idle ceremonies, and was sometimes brusque in his manners; but within the outer husk there never was a kindlier nature, or a heart that sympathized with human suffering more. I remember well, when he and I were students, how he and Miss ANGIE GOODENOW, who is many years in Heaven, I trust, entered into a league and organized a little corps of brothers and sisters of charity, to watch with the sick and relieve the sufferings of the poor.

MORAL HEROISM.

For myself, I should be meaner than his slanderers if I could ever forget the long protracted fever, through which he watched with me night after night, and cooled my parched lips and sponged my burning temples and administered to all my wants. Nor can I forget that when the Asiatic cholera raged in the City of Columbia, during his residence there, and when "men's hearts failed them for fear," he was found in the chambers of the dying and the dead, where neither priest nor Levite dared to stay, struggling to save, and soothing the sufferings of the cholera patient. In speaking of this peculiarity of the man, a few years ago, a gentleman informed me that while Mr. STANTON made his home with his mother in Steubenville, and practiced law in Pittsburg, passing backward and forward by steamboat, he had known him one evening when he came on board at Steubenville, to find a poor Irishman, who had fallen through a hatchway and broken his leg, lying on the forecastle, without any one to take care of him. He asked the Captain what it meant, and was informed that the Irishman lived in Pittsburg, and that when he got there he could get his broken leg attended to. Without more ado he went into the second's chest, and borrowed a saw and an ax, took a stick of cordwood and cut and split it up, sat down on the capstan, and with his pocket knife shaved out a set of splints, went to his stateroom, and without saying "by your leave," took the sheet from his bed, tore it up into bandages and rollers, entered a few minutes after into the service to extend the limb, reduced the broken bone, and plied the splints and bandages, then went to the cook room and ordered a jug of vinegar and water to steep the broken limb, then sat down beside the sufferer, watched with him and bathed his limb till the boat arrived at Pittsburg, a distance of thirty miles, and then hired a hack to convey him home. And if I am not greatly misinformed, the records will show, and history will tell the story, that in his official relations as Secretary of War he made like provision for the wounded rebels who were captured and carried to the hospitals of the United States. Tell me not, then, that this man was either coarse, harsh or cruel, because I know better. I know that the very reverse was his real character.

BUCHANAN'S CABINET.

Another charge which I have heard made against Mr. STANTON is, that while in confidential relations with Mr. BUCHANAN he communicated the secrets of the Administration to Mr. SEWARD, then a leading Republican in the Senate. This is no doubt true, substantially, but then it suggests an historic inquiry as to how Mr. STANTON came to be Mr. BUCHANAN'S Cabinet. This I gather from three sources: The recorded history of the times; the repeated conversations I have had with Mr. STANTON; the account given by Mr. STANTON'S brother-in-law, Attorney-General WOLCOTT, who was on the spot, and related the facts to my informant, Judge BRINKERHOFF, a few days after they occurred. Mr. BUCHANAN'S Cabinet was composed as follows: CASS in the State Department, COBB in the Treasury Department, BLACK in the Law Department, THOMPSON in the Interior Department, FLOYD in the War Department, TOUCEY in the Navy Department, and HOLT in the Postal Department. In this Cabinet there were traitors, both active and passive. BUCHANAN was not a traitor himself, but a weak, irresolute old man, bound hand and foot by the active traitors in his Cabinet. FLOYD had dispersed the army to different and distant points, so as to make unavailable at the capital. TOUCEY had scattered the navy to different and distant parts of the world, so that it could not be collected for months. THOMPSON had stolen about $8,000,000 of Indian bonds, and COBB had the Treasury empty, and the rebels were in arms. The signs of the times were appalling. CASS saw nothing before him but political ruin, and the ghost of the Quintuple Treaty lay heavy on his soul. He resigned his office and BLACK was appointed in his place, leaving the Law Department vacant. In addition to other causes of alarm, FLOYD had attempted to ship all the heavy ordnance manufactured at Pittsburg to the South, and was only checked by the rising up of the people, and sending a deputation of citizens to Washington to inform the President and enter their protest against the movement. In this extremity Mr. BUCHANAN sent for Mr. STANTON, and asked him what he thought about the signs of the times. The answer was prompt and characteristic: "You are sleeping on the crater of a volcano. The ground is moved all around and under you, and ready to explode, and, without prompt and energetic action, you will be the last President of the United States." "Mr. STANTON," said the feeble old man, "for God's sake come and help me. The Attorney-General's office is vacant, will you accept it." "If you desire my help, I will," was the reply. The first day was passed in ferreting out the grand larceny of THOMPSON on the Indian fund; and, when the Cabinet met in the evening, Mr. STANTON was late in coming. When he entered, FLOYD was pacing the room, and gesticulating furiously in the tempest and whirlwind of speech against somebody who had cut down his flagstaff, broken off the trunnions of his guns, and cut up and burned his wheels, and so on. Mr. STANTON sat down without uttering a word, or pretending to understand what was up. When FLOYD made a pause, the question was propounded, "Mr. Attorney-General, what do you think about it?" "About what?" said Mr. STANTON. "About Major ANDERSON breaking up camp at Fort Moultrie, and going into Fort Sumter?" "The most glorious event since the 8th of January, 1815. It has stirred the heart of every loyal man in the nation." "What," said FLOYD, "an officer of the army violating his orders?" "What orders?" said STANTON. "Did you, Mr. President, give orders to Major ANDERSON to remain in that old, dilapidated fort, surrounded by enemies, when a stronger one was available?" "No," said Mr. BUCHANAN, "I gave no such orders." "Did you know of any such orders being given?" "No, Sir; I never heard of it before." "Then," said STANTON, "the man that gave such orders ought to be hanger on a gallows higher than Haman's." Here THOMPSON interposed to rebuke the insolence of so new a man in the Cabinet. "Mr. THOMPSON," said STANTON, "I have been here long enough to find out that you have stolen $6,000,000 of Indian bonds, and expect to stay here till I see you punished for it." And then the tempest rose and raged till midnight, when the meeting broke up, and next morning COBB, FLOYD and THOMPSON resigned. And thus in a single night this young Hercules in the cradle had choked to death three boa constrictors who had coiled around and were preparing to death his feeble old friend. There were now at least two honest men—STANTON and HOLT—in the Cabinet, and three vacancies. How these vacancies were filled I do not recollect, further than this, that through the influence of STANTON and HOLT, JOHN A. DIX was placed at the head of the Treasury Department, and no one ever had three more powerful or reliable supporters. There is reason to believe, and I for one do believe, that, but for the bold stand taken by Mr. STANTON on that memorable evening, Mr. LINCOLN never would have been inaugurated in Washington. The knives of the assassins were already whetted, and he would inevitably have been murdered. But the active traitors being driven from the Cabinet, General SCOTT collected together a few soldiers and marines to the number of about a thousand, and secured the peaceful inauguration of the new President. It is true, as I believe, it is, that Mr. STANTON kept loyal men in his Cabinet strove to do, his conduct is worthy of all commendation. In doing this, so far from betraying BUCHANAN, he served him. The things looked better, were better. The freedman joined the army, and whether in the ditch or on the battlefield, did his full share of the work till the close of the war. Nay, he did more. By his humanity and gallant consideration for age and sex and infancy, he gave the lie to the oft-repeated prediction that if ever he gained his freedom he would cut the throats of white people, men, women and children. The fortunes of war were still various; our armies were not always successful. But in prosperity and in adversity, with a faith that never wavered, with a hope that never flagged, and with a courage that never quailed—believing all things, hoping all things, trusting all things for his country—Mr. STANTON stood at his post, by day and by night, till the standards of rebellion were lowered, and the great leader sued for peace. And then it was, in the last meeting President LINCOLN ever had with his Cabinet, that they mingled tears of joy and gratitude for the return of peace.

HE DIED FOR HIS COUNTRY.

Since the return of peace, no man more sincerely desired the return of amity, as well as peace, than Mr. STANTON; but he desired peace and amity on terms rational and enduring, and watched with interest each and every State coming back to the Union, and he had the good fortune to see his heart's desire accomplished before he died. In this he was peculiarly happy. He had sacrificed his life for his country as clearly and emphatically as if he had fallen side by side with LYON in Missouri, or with SEDGWICK in the Wilderness, but more happy than either in this, that he lived to see, if not to gather, the fruits of their united toil.

HIS SCORN FOR MERE WEALTH.

I cannot withhold a tribute of respect and admiration for the honest scorn with which this man regarded mere wealth and its corrupting influences. Not that he ever was known to appeal to the prejudices of the poor against the rich. To a man of his mold of mind, ostentation of poverty was as contemptible as that of wealth equally contemptible. He did not live in a hogshead like DIOGENES, nor run barefoot like SOCRATES, nor boast of his poverty like ARISTIDES. He lived like a republican gentleman, in republican simplicity. Plain food, plain apparel, plain furniture, plain style of living. He had ample ability and opportunity to be rich, if he had regarded that as the chief aim of man; and what astonishes everybody is, that in an age when hero worship has given place to an insane adoration of wealth, when royalty comes down to do homage to men who have grasped and held ten thousand times their share of God's bounty to mankind; and when other public men are amassing fortunes, building palaces, and usurping the public domain, this man should have had the honesty to die poor. Nor is it easy for selfish minds to conceive how one of the first, if not one of the very first lawyers of the nation, should have practiced for five-and-twenty years, without any wasteful habits, and have nothing to leave behind him but his dwelling house and his private library. It will be still more difficult for greedy-minded men to see why it was that, after his term of office had expired, and he had nothing to give in return—after he had worn out his life in the service of his country, and was looking forward to the day when his family should be left alone and helpless in the world, he should have refused a voluntary gift of $100,000, from men who could have spared it well enough, and wished to do themselves the honor of giving it to him. Mr. STANTON cared less what the world thought or said of him than any man I ever knew. But he cared a great deal what the world thought and said about his country, and he would not have it either thought or said that a public man of the United States had served his country for money. He was incorruptible in life, and death he left us a lesson which we would do well to teach to our children. Come hither ye pagan worshipers of dust and rags. Leave off building monuments to the memory of curmudgeons. Rive me a rock of granite and lay it on this man's grave; but take heed that ye lift not up thy tool upon it lest ye pollute it. Let me engrave upon it with a pen of iron this simple text—"Here lieth the dust of the incorruptible EDWIN M. STANTON."

THE STEAMER ANNA.

Her Arrival at Charleston and Seizure by the United States Marshal.

From the Charleston (S. C.) News, Jan. 6.

On Monday morning the *Anna*, a low, dark steamer, came into our harbor and attracted but little attention. She reported that she had been driven in by a stress of weather, and desired to coal before proceeding on her voyage to Nassau. This was easily accomplished, and the *Anna* was fully prepared to leave the next day, when Captain SOMERS, the commanding officer, applied to the Custom House for a clearance. He was told that there would be no difficulty, but later in the day Collector CLARK sent for the Captain and demanded his papers. On repairing to the Custom House he found the Collector and the Spanish Consul. The former said that he would be compelled to detain the vessel for a breach of the Neutrality laws. The Captain protested against this detention, and showed his clearance from New-York signed and attested by the Collector and United States Marshal. Collector CLARK said that they did not know their business, or they would not have given a clearance. The Spanish Consul had made a complaint and he was bound to respect it. Captain SOMERS finding it difficult to obtain his papers left.

The Harbor Master, with Lieutenant L. M. KEENE, of the Revenue Cutter, examined the *Anna* thoroughly the same afternoon, and reported that everything was right and she could not be held. Collector CLARK, on hearing this statement, decided that he could not detain the vessel, but would fine her $500 for not having a "synopsis," and for carrying more passengers than her tonnage allowed, (seventy-two tons, new measurement.) The Captain was told that the vessel would be released on the payment of this fine, and he was about to meet the demand, when he learned that the *Anna* had been seized by the United States Marshal. This officer immediately put four deputies on board, and told the passengers that they must leave the boat and seek for lodgings elsewhere. As there was not much room, and only a few moments' baggage was packed, and twenty-eight Cubans, headed by Colonel W. C. RYAN, well known as an ardent Cuban sympathizer, proceeded to the Pavilion Hotel. Rooms were assigned them, and they are now awaiting the release of their craft. Colonel RYAN, who is the leader of the little party, is a young man of sharp features, long hair and a general appearance of cool daring, bordering on mere recklessness. Among the party are several Cubans of note, who desired to return to the Ever Faithful Isle *via* Nassau. O. CESPEDES, a son of the Cuban President, and FRANCIS L. CISNEROS, a brother of the Vice-President of the Junta, are of the number. Very few of the passengers can speak English, and they all look like men of culture and refinement.

From a conversation with the party, we learn that the *Anna* left her dock at Williamsburg, N. Y., on Wednesday, Dec. 29, at 10:30 A. M. The United States Marshal and revenue officer examined the vessel carefully, and gave her proper clearance papers, staying on board until the ropes were cast loose. Three of the crew left an hour after sailing. While rounding Cape Hatteras, on Saturday, the *Anna* encountered a terrible storm that drove her out of her course, and for forty hours no distance was made. As the coal was exhausted, it was determined to make the nearest port to obtain a supply, and Charleston was sighted about 3 P. M. on Saturday.

In the different searches that have been made on board the *Anna* since her arrival, it became evident that there was no armament of any character concealed, and as the case has been placed in the hands of Messrs. SIMONTON & BARKER for prosecution, it may be heard at an early day, and the vessel released. Each of the twenty-eight Cubans have a receipt for thirty dollars paid as passage money, and the whole bearing of the case shows that the detention of the boat is of questionable legality. The *Anna* is now lying at the government wharf under the surveillance of the United States Marshal.

Later Particulars—The Crew and the Passengers—Further Action of the Authorities.

From the Charleston (S. C.) News, Jan. 7.

On Wednesday evening the United States Marshal, finding that the crew of the *Anna* refused to leave the vessel, applied to Colonel EDIE, the commandant of the post, for assistance. A detachment of twenty-five men and two Lieutenants were ordered to the wharf, and the crew dispossessed. This action will have the effect of dispersing the ship's company, and renders the detention of the *Anna* certain, though it is deemed by the Captain and others interested to be a violation of maritime law. A further search was made of the vessel, but nothing in the shape of munitions of war was discovered, though the party engaged in the investigation had their nervous system shocked by the discovery of a demijohn, which it was thought might hold nitroglycerine. The coal bunkers were also visited, but they objected to have any light thrown on the subject, and left them in their original darkness. The New-York papers that noticed the departure of the *Anna*, all state that she carried no armament, and that the facts of her sailing and the nature of her passengers were known to the authorities and to the Spanish minister. Telegrams describing the vessel and her company were sent to Havana, and photographs of Captain SOMERS, Colonel RYAN, CESPEDES, CISNEROS, AGRAMONTE and others, forwarded by mail, with orders to have an extra vigilance placed over the creeks and inlets where landings had been effected. Captain SOMERS, the commanding officer of the boat, was formerly a midshipman in the United States Navy, is a good seaman, and managed his little craft well during the gale. Colonel RYAN is not in command of the Cubans, but is simply a passenger, as the rest. Rumor hath it that the British Government has released the Cuban privateer *Lally*, and an attempt will be made by the Cubans now in the city to unite with the crew at Nassau. The case will probably be heard to-day in the United States Court, and there is little doubt that the release of the *Anna* will soon be effected.

JAPAN.

The Pardoning of Stotsbashi—Significance of the Act—An Era of Peace Looked for.

From the San Francisco Bulletin, Dec. 28.

By the *China*, which arrived Sunday morning from Japan, we learn that a most important step has been taken by the Mikado, which goes far towards insuring a new era of peace and progress in that country. This is the pardoning of STOTSBASHI, the late Tycoon or Shogoon, and Prince AIDZU, who was the head of the nothern party in the late civil war in Japan. A brief review of the

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

The Past Week.

For a week past we have been saying at regular intervals of four and twenty hours that there were no sales at the Exchange yesterday. During the entire week there was not a single public sale effected, and the dullness was shared by the entire market. This exhibits a marked contrast with the Spring week of last year, when operations were exceedingly brisk even for a lively season. Of course a few days may bring about a change, and it is anticipated by the brokers that the season will open in the course of a month with as much vitality as could be expected after the recent lethargy. There is certainly no reason to suppose that the real estate of New-York is not as promising an investment, if the money were free to go into it, as it has been any time within the past five years.

During the present week there are to be several sales at the Exchange, if the present announcements are realized. On Tuesday there is a Sheriff's sale of several lots on Second-avenue, Fifty-fourth and Fifty-fifth streets, by MULLER & Co.; a sale of a cottage and lot on One Hundred and Tenth-street by D. M. SEAMAN, and a house on West Forty-fourth-street by A. J. BLEECKER & Co. On Thursday MULLER & Co. dispose of four lots, with buildings thereon, on Forty-fifth-street, near Tenth-avenue.

WM. H. RAYNOR reports the sale of two lots, northside Sixty-third-street, between Eighth-avenue and Boulevard, 25x100.8, at $10,500 each.

Mr. RAYNOR also reports that GEORGE DOUGLAS, Esq., has just refused an absolute offer for four lots, south-east corner Seventy-fifth-street and Fifth-avenue; 102.2 on avenue, 100 ft. in depth and 2 on rear. Each 25x102.2. Six lots in all of $150,000.

Transfers of Real Estate.

NEW-YORK.

Cortlandt-st., s. s., indefinite, 0.1x2.6x2.5.....	$100
Munroe-st., n. s., 68.2 ft. e. of Pike-st., 22x71.10x irr.67.5.....	12,000
Willet and Stanton sts., 50x100.....	16,000
2d-st., s. w. s., 107 ft. n. w. of Avenue A, h. and l., 42x105.3.....	8,000
162d-st., n. s., 413 ft. e. of Avenue B, 125x92.....	27,000
32d-st., s. s., 120 ft. w. of 1st-av., h. and l., 20x98.9.	500
27th-st., n. s., 151.8 ft. e. of 2d-av., 202x100.6.....	30,000
38th-st., s. s., 125 ft. e. of 9th-av., 25x98 9.....	4,250
89th-st., s. s., 100 ft. e. of 10th-av., 25x100.5.....	3,250
40th-st., s. s., 275 ft. e. of 11th-av., 25x98.9.....	2,000
40th-st., s. s., 95 ft. w. of Madison-av., 25x20.1.....	2,400
49th-st., n. s., 160 ft. e. of 3d-av., 118x100.....	33,000
53d-st., s. s., 165 ft. e. of 4th-av., h. and l., 75x100.5.	70,000
55th-st., n. s., 68 ft. w. of 2d-av., h. and l., 34x100.4.	6,500
84th-st., n. s., indefinite, 25.6x102.2.....	6,350
116th-st., s. s., 420 ft. w. of 3d-av., 100x106.11.....	18,000
129th-st., n. s., 115 ft. e. of 4th-av., 25x199.11.....	10,250
Lexington-av., w. s., 19.9 ft. s. of 49th-st., h. and l., 19.9x35.....	27,000
Nagle-av., (new,) 230 ft. n. e. of Elwood-st., (new,) 100x331.11x100x298.8.....	7,000
166th-av. and 35th-st., s. e. corner, 24.9x100.....	6,000
11th-av., e. s., 25.5 ft. s. of 55th-st., 50x100.....	3,100

Leases Recorded.

Broadway, No. 1,313, 3 years,	1 year, per year..	$2,000
	1 year, per year..	2,250
	1 year, per year..	2,500
Bowery, No. 98, 5 years, per year.....		5,000
East 127th-st., No. 313, 6 years, per year.....		3,200

KINGS COUNTY.

Brooklyn.

Baltic and Nevins sts., n. e. corner, 20x75.....	$2,000
Bergen-st., n. s., between Troy and Schenectady avs., 25x107.2, June 22, 1869.....	450
Same property, Jan. 6, 1870.....	550
Butler-st., s. s., 75 ft. e. of Bond-st., 100x100, deed 1867.....	2,600
Debevoise-st., s. s., 74.3 ft. e. of Morrell-st., 121.2 x25x113.2x27.....	3,500
Grand-st., n. e. s., 118 ft. s. e. of 1st-st., 112.6x25.6 x107.8x25.....	12,500
Henry-st., w. s., 20 ft. n. of Coles-st., 40x86.....	2,800
Herkimer-st. and Columbus-place, s. w. cor., 48x 98x57x46x105x144.....	1,825
Herkimer-st., n. s., 50 ft. e. of Rochester-av., 25x 100.....	1,500
Hooper-st., n. s., 325 ft. e. of Marcy-av., 200x40x 100x100.100.....	6,650
Main-st., n. s., 25 ft. w. of Water-st., 89.4.4.8.9x 11.6x93.11.11.....	15,500
Powers and Pacific sts., westerly cor., 175x100..	22,000
Rodney-st., n. s., 167 ft. w. of Wythe-av., 44.8x100	4,000
Sands-st., n. s., 180.6 ft. w. of Bridge-st., h. and l., 24x100.4.24x100.....	4,950
Stagg-st., n. s., 140 ft. e. of Lorrimer-st., 30x100..	3,800
St. Felix-st., e. s., 169.3 ft. n. of Fulton-av., 19x70.	nom.
Van Buren-st., n. s., 175 ft. w. of Marcy-av., 25x 100.....	1,500
Van Buren-st., s. s., 175 ft. w. of Stuyvesant-av., 25x100; error in deed of description.....	800
Walworth-st., w. s., 150 ft. s. of Tillery-st., 25x 100.....	1,200
Withers-st., s. s., 175 ft. e. of Graham-av., 83.3x —x79.8x2...5.....	2,900
2d-st., e. s., 50 ft. n. of North 8th-st., 25x100.....	1,500
2d-st., e. s., 25 ft. n. of North 8th-st., 25x100.....	1,500
North 2d-st., s. s., 100 ft. w. of Leonard-st., 20x100.	3,500
South 2d-st., s. s., 100 ft. e. of Smith-st., 20x100..	9,750
8th-st., w. s., 80 ft. s. of South 2d-st., 20x74.6.....	1,050
17th-st., s. s., 300 ft. e. of 10th-av., 100.2x100.....	1,030
27th-st., s. s., 500 ft. e. of 10th-av., 100.2x100.....	1,050
27th-st. and 11th-av., westerly corner, 100x80.2.....	750
28th-st. and 6th-av., s. e. corner, 75x100.....	11,500
Bedford av., n. e. s., 40 ft. n. w. of Wilson-st., 20x80.....	10,500
Flushing-av., e. s., 22 ft. e. of Canton-st., 98.9x18 —97.10x18.....	4,800
Bushwick-av., e. s., adjoining Henry Lawrence's about 2 acres.....	nom.
Bulton-av., s. s., 60.11 ft. w. of Navy-st., 22.6x86.8 12x90.10.....	13,000
Gates and Tompkins avs., n. w. cor., 100x100..	9,000
Graham-av. and Jackson-st., n. e. cor., 50x63.3x —x64.6.....	1,800
Jam Pike, s. s., 625 ft. e. of Bushwick-av., 25x100.	2,725
Myrtle-av., s. s., 75 ft. w. of Steuben-av., 25x100, D. and L. 1846.....	900
Washington and Willoughby avs., n. w. cor., 21.9x100.....	16,000
Gates-av. and Monroe-st., n. e. cor., 16.8x80.....	4,000
6th-av. and 22d-st., n. e. cor., 25x100.....	1,000
11th-av., w. s., 60.2 ft. s. of 17th-st., 40x100.....	500
11th-av. and 18th-st., s. w. cor., 100.2x200.....	3,375

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

Greenburg.

Lots Nos. 28, 29, 30, 31, map Henry Sheldon's property.....	$475

Morrisania.

College-av. and Villa-place, s. e. corner, 16x96...	$5,500
Courtlandt-av., w. s., 50 ft. s. of Deman-st., 25x 100.....	3,500
Halsey and Railroad-av., n. e. corner, 105x20 x35x365.....	3,500
Mary-st., s. s., 500 ft. e. of Courtlandt-av., 50x100	1,025
Washington-av., w. s., 39 ft. s of 6th-st., 33x100..	2,000

North Salem.

Purdy's Station to Somers' road, s. s., adjoining W. H. Moore's, 65x122.....	$2,500

New-Castle.

Thomas Niland's property, indefinite.....	$1,400

White Plains.

Lexington-av., e. s., 50 ft. s. of Ridge-st., 150x160	$1,700

West Farms.

Grove-st. and Woodruff-av., easterly corner, 50x 100.....	$800

Yonkers.

Webster-av., s. w. s., 150 ft. w. of Brook-st., 50x 103.....	$2,700
Plot adjoining above, 6x80.....	

NEW-JERSEY.

Newark.

James-st., n. s., 70.10 ft. from Sheffield, 26x35....	$500
Kinney-st., n. s., 152 from Church-st., 29x112.6....	7,500
S. Market-st., s. s., 19.4 ft. from Adams-st., 19.4x44	4,525

East Orange.

Mulberry-st., w. s., 100 ft. from William-st., 85.1x 117.11.....	$800

HUDSON COUNTY.

Jersey City.

Jersey-av., e. s., 18.8 ft. n. of S. 8th-st., 16.8x86....	$7,625
Sussex-st., 3d No. 6, block No. 65, Powles Hook map.....	3,575
Lot No. 23, block No. 35, Van Vorst map.....	8,000

Bergen

Hallady-st., s. e. s., 300 ft. s. w. of Bramhall-av., 34x112.....	$5,000
Washington-av., n. w. s., 23 ft. s. w. of Wabanst., 23.10x100.....	1,300
S. e. corner of John Van Horn's land, 67x207.....	12,000

Hudson City.

Jackson-st., lots Nos. 44 and 45, Washington Village, No. 2, 50x100.....	$4,000
Manners-av., w. s., 71 ft. n. of Franklin-av., 25x 100.....	950
Lot No. 41, block No. 2, Hudson City Terrace Company.....	138
Lot No. 3, block C, and lot No. 25, block A, Bramhall map.....	925

Hoboken.

North 1st-st., 40 ft. w. of Clinton-st., 40x80.....	$15,600

North Bergen.

Lots Nos. 1, 2, block No. 2, Jas. King's property.	$1,000

Union.

People-st., lot No. 17, Macken's map, 25x100...	$725
Lot No. 1,130, block No. 8, map Guttenberg.....	250

CITY REAL ESTATE.

ALLEN & BROWN,

REAL ESTATE BROKERS AND AUCTIONEERS, No. 96 Broadway.

JONATHAN W. ALLEN, JOSIAH W. BROWN, HORATIO HENRIQUES, offer for sale the following desirable Houses and *Lots*:

W. 15th-st., 3-story h. s. b'k, W. 24th-st., 3-story h. s. b'k
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W. 17th-st., 4-story h. s. b'k, E. 26th-st., 3-story h. b'n
E. 17th-st., 4-story h. s. b'k, W. 26th-st., 3-story h. s. b'n
E. 17th-st., 4-story h. s. b'k, E. 27th-st., 4-story h. s. b'n
W. 18th-st., 4-story h. s. b'k, W. 32d-st., 3-story h. s. b'k
W. 19th-st., 3-story h. s. b'k, E. 32d-st., 4-story h. s. b'n
E. 20th-st., 3-story c. h. b'n, W. 33d-st., 4-story h. s. b'k
W. 20th-st., 3-story h. s. b'k, E. 34th-st., 4-story e. b. b'n
W. 21st-st., 4-story c. b. b'n, W. 33d-st., 3-story h. s. b'n
E. 22d-st., 4-story h. s. b'k, E. 34th-st., 4-story h. s. b'n
W. 22d-st., 4-story h. s. b'k, W. 36th-st., 4-story h. s. b'n
W. 23d-st., 4-story h. s. b'n, E. 36th-st., 4-story h. s. b'n

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HOUSES FOR SALE.—PARTIES CONtemplating purchasing are requested to examine the new and elegant block of houses on the west side of Madison-av., between 42d and 43d sts. Full particulars can be obtained by applying to the owner, CHARLES DUGGIN, Architect, No. 121 Broadway.

FOR SALE—5TH-AV. PROPERTY—A 5TH-av. corner, south of 14th-st., of extra size, well improved, now paying a good interest, and of great prospective value. Apply to MULLER, WILKINS & CO., No. 7 Pine-st.

FOR SALE—ON THE BEST PART OF 5TH-av., Murray Hill, a superior extra-wide house; early possession given. For further particulars, &c., apply to E. S. LUDLOW & CO., No. 3 Pine-st.

CITY REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE—AT MORRISTOWN, N. J., ON South-st., a most desirable residence, with thirteen rooms and attic, bathroom, water closet, hot and cold water, gas, barn, icehouse, complete garden and fruit trees. For further particulars apply to RANDOLPH BROS., No. 111 Trinity Buildings, Broadway, New-York, or THEODORE AYRES, Real Estate Agent, Morristown, N. J.

ELEGANT RESIDENCE IN ORANGE, N. J.—Every convenience except a mortgage; 10 acres under highest cultivation; will exchange for a desirable City residence; terms to suit. HAMILTON WALLIS, Orange Real Estate Agents, No. 9 Nassau, corner Pine-st., New-York; WILEY, Agent, Orange.

ORANGE, N. J.—VILLAS, VILLA SITES and farms, a great variety, beautifully situated one hour from N. Y., for sale low. Also, country seats and houses to let for the season, or year, by BLACKWELL & SMITH, 348 Broadway, N. Y., 9 to 11 A. M.; Orange, corner Main and Cone sts., 1 to 3 P. M.

STORES, &C., TO LET.

TO RENT—THE SPACIOUS IRON FRONT Stores, Nos. 488, 490, 492 Broadway, corner Broome-st. For particulars apply to E. V. HAUGHWOUT & CO., on the premises, or to ABNER L. ELY, No. 22 Pine-st.

OFFICE TO LET.—TWO FRONT ROOMS on the second floor of No. 2 New Chambers-st. Inquireon the premises of LEXOW & VOIGT, or of W. L. CONKLIN, No. 18 4th-av.

TO RENT—STORES AND LOFTS ON BROADway and on the streets near Broadway. For particulars apply to ALLEN & BROWN, 96 Broadway.

TO LET—THE THREE LOFTS OF STORE No. 48 Broadway. Apply at No. 192 Broadway of PETER A. H. JACKSON.

DWELLINGS TO LET.

FIFTH-AVENUE.—TO LET OR LEASE.—A fine four-story first-class marble-front houses, each 20x70, lot 100 feet, on the east side of 5th-av., between 57th and 58th sts.; a very desirable location, being in full view of the Central Park and grand circle. Apply to WM. & R. A. CRUIKSHANK, No. 58 Broadway.

HOUSES & ROOMS WANTED.

WANTED—BY A RESPONSIBLE PARTY, a modern three-story house, fully and neatly furnished, for a private boarding house, between 3d and 6th avs., and 12th and 23d sts.; price not to exceed $250 per month; full particulars given or no attention paid. Address E., Box No. 146 *Times* Office.

WANTED—TO HIRE A SMALL HOUSE, with all the modern improvements, between 14th and 30th sts.; rent not to exceed $800 to $1,000. Address B., Morrisania, Westchester County, N. Y.

REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

BLACK HAWK GOLD MINING COMPANY OF NEW-YORK.
AUCTION SALE BY TRUSTEES.

Notice is hereby given that we, the undersigned BENJAMIN WHITE and BERIAH WALL, of the City of Providence, in the State of Rhode Island, under and in execution of the powers in us vested by the deed of trust, executed to us by said Black Hawk Gold Mining Company, bearing date on the twenty-eighth day of May, A. D. 1866, and duly recorded, will sell at PUBLIC AUCTION at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, New-York, on the seventeenth day of March, A. D. 1870, at 12 o'clock at noon, all the estate, lands, quartz lode mining claims, mines, minerals, mining rights and interests, lands and premises, shafts, levels, mills and mill sites, stores, storehouses, dwelling and other buildings and structures, water, water powers, runs and falls of water, water courses, and water rights and privileges, water wheels, flumes, ditches, furnaces, engines, steam powers, tracts, machinery, retorts, tools and fixtures, and all other estate and property, real, personal or mixed, of said Black Hawk Gold Mining Company, situate in the County of Gilpin, in the Territory of Colorado, and conveyed to us in and by the deed of trust aforesaid, and all the interest and title of said Company therein.

Reference is hereby made, as a part of this notice and for a full description of said estate and property, to said deed of trust, which may be examined at the office of W. H. Whittingham, No. 48 Broad-st., New-York City.

Terms of Sale—Cash on delivery of deed, which will be a trustees' deed, and ready for delivery at the said office of said W. H. Whittingham, on March 24, 1870, at 12 o'clock at noon.

BENJAMIN WHITE, } Trustees.
BERIAH WALL, }

MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.

SALE IN PARTITION, BY ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT OF VALUABLE BUSINESS PROPERTY ON 6TH-AV., BROOME AND WOOSTER STS.

S. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction on TUESDAY, Jan. 11, 1870, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, N. Y., under the direction of Charles H. Van Brunt, Esq., Referee: 6TH-AV.—The valuable plot of ground, with buildings, known as Nos. 193 and 195, being together about 36.6x65 feet.

BROOME AND WOOSTER STS., (southwest corner.) Lot, with frame buildings, known as No. 55 Wooster-st., and Nos. 485 and 487 Broome-st.; also, 18.4x75 feet, WOOSTER-ST.—Valuable lot, with buildings, No. 147 Wooster-st., near Houston-st. 25x100 feet.

Sixty per cent. may remain on bond and mortgage. Maps at the auctioneers' office, No. 3 Pine-st., N. Y.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

SUPREME COURT SALE OF Seventy-two valuable lots on 2d-av., 54th and 55th sts., under the direction of James O'Brien, Sheriff.—ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction on TUESDAY, Jan. 11, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, under the direction of James O'Brien, Esq., Sheriff:

2D-AV.—10 lots comprising the entire front on the west side of 2d-av., between 54th and 55th sts.

54TH and 55TH STS.—10 lots on the north side of 54th-st., and 6 lots on the south side of 55th-st., directly in the rear of the 2d-av. lots.

The streets and avenues in front of these lots are sewered and paved with Belgian pavement. Maps at auctioneers' office, No. 7 Pine-st.

BERI. F. THEALL, Auctioneer.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, PIANOFORTE, CARPETS, &c.

BARKER & THEALL will sell by auction TUESDAY, Jan. 11, 1870, at 10½ o'clock, at their salesroom, No. 5 Cortlandt-st., a general assortment of parlor, bedroom and dining-room furniture, rosewood and walnut parlor suites, marble-top tables, bookcases, fine walnut and mahogany bedsteads, bureaus, wardrobes, enameled bedroom suites, mattresses, good Brussels and ingrain carpets, &c. Also, mahogany pianoforte.

Catalogues early morning of sale.

A. J. BLEECKER, Auctioneer.

HOUSE AND LOT ON WEST 44TH-ST. FOR SALE.

A. J. BLEECKER, SON & CO. will sell at auction on TUESDAY, Jan. 11, 1870, at 12 M., at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway:

The 4-story and basement high-stoop brick house and lot No. 51 West 44th-st., north side, between 5th and 6th avs., in fine order and with the modern conveniences; 60 per cent. on mortgage. Maps at No. 77 Cedar-st.

D. M. SEAMAN, Auctioneer.

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH-ST.—D. M. SEAMAN will sell on TUESDAY, Jan. 11, 1870, at 12 M., at Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, the first-class three-story frame cottage, with brick basement, and lot, north side of 110th-st., 100 feet west of 3d-av.; house in fine order, with all improvements. Full particulars and maps at the office, No. 14 Pine-st.

D. M. SEAMAN, Auctioneer.

BROOKLYN PROPERTY.—D. M. SEAMAN will sell on TUESDAY, Jan. 11, 1870, at 12 M., at Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, two new three-story brick houses and lots, south side Flushing-av., 40 feet east of Canton-st; houses in good order, and sale positive. Maps, &c., at the office, No. 14 Pine-st.

FINANCIAL.

LEONARD, SHELDON & FOSTER, BANKERS, No. 10 Wall-st.

Orders for the purchase, sale and negotiation of STOCKS, BONDS AND GOLD promptly executed.

LEONARD, SHELDON & FOSTER.

OFFICE ROUGH DIAMOND SILVER MINING COMPANY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 3, 1870.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.—THE annual meeting for the election of trustees, or transaction of other business, will be held at No. 94 Leonard-st., on THURSDAY, Jan. 13, 1870, at 2 o'clock P. M. D. S. ARNOLD, Treasurer.

THE NATIONAL CITIZENS' BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 21, 1869.

AN ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS OF this Bank will be held at the banking room on TUESDAY, the 11th day of January next. Polls open from 12 to 1 o'clock P. M.

W. H. OAKLEY, Cashier.

OFFICE STAR FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 29, 1869.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIrectors of this Company will be held on MONDAY, Jan. 10, 1870, between the hours of 11 and 1 o'clock, at their office, No. 96 Broadway, New-York.

JAMES M. HODGES, Secretary.

WANTED—$3,000 ON BOND AND MORTgage, on first class property in New-Jersey. Address Box 2,490 New-York Post Office.

FINANCIAL.

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Interest Allowed on all Daily Balances of Currency or Gold.

Persons depositing with us can check at sight in the same manner as with National Banks.

Certificates of Deposit issued, payable on demand or at fixed date, bearing interest at current rate, and available in all parts of the United States.

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Collections made everywhere in the United States, Canada, and Europe.

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THIRTY-YEAR SEVEN PER CENT. CONVERTIBLE SINKING FUND BONDS.

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Issue bills on Paris and the Union Bank of London in sums to suit; also circular letters of credit for travelers, available throughout the world. Letters to their care for travelers registered on receipt and delivery.

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ALL PAYABLE IN NEW-YORK.

THE FOLLOWING NOTICE HAS been sent to the Stock Exchange by the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company:

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 13, 1869.

To the President of the Stock Exchange, New-York:

SIR: To comply with the third article of your by-laws, I hereby give you notice of our intention to issue $6,000,000 of convertible seven per cent. bonds, free of taxes, which we have negotiated at par, without commissions. One-half of said bonds are convertible at any time after their issue, and the other half after Jan. 1, 1872.

The purchasers are required to take the bonds as follows, viz.:

1,500,000 January, 1870, } Convertible after issue.
1,000,000 July 15, 1870. }
1,000,000 Jan. 15, 1871. } Convertible after Jan. 1
1,500,000 in 1871 and 1872, as required, on 60 days' notice. } 1872.

The object of this issue of bonds is to provide the means to complete several branch roads in course of construction, to provide additional rolling stock and the necessary equipments, enlargement of workshops, wharves for the shipment of coal, new engine houses, sidings, &c.

I believe the foregoing information is in strict conformity with your by-laws. Very respectfully,

(Signed) FRANKLIN B. GOWEN, President.

NOTICE.—ALL PERSONS, FIRMS AND corporations are hereby cautioned against receiving or negotiating the following-described United States 5-20 Coupon Bonds, which were stolen from the Adams Express Company. The Company claims the right to recover their possession whenever and wherever they can find them:

Nos. 54,889, 63,831, $1,000 each; Nos. 29,295, 29,296, 37,935, $500 each, first series of 1862; Nos. 27,582, 27,591, and 65,317 to 65,320, inclusive, $1,000 each, second series of 1862; Nos. 77,175 to 77,183, inclusive, for $1,000 each; No. 89,055, for $500, July series of 1865; Nos. 13,845 to 13,849, inclusive; Nos. 145,738, 145,739, $1,000 each; No. 101,751, for $500, July series, 1867.

Any person to whom any of these bonds may be offered will subserve the ends of justice, and confer a favor, by causing the arrest of the party offering the same, and notifying the undersigned or any agent of this Company immediately by telegraph.

HENRY SANFORD, General Superintendent.

OFFICE OF THE ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY, NO. 59 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK.

OFFICE OF THE WILKES BARRE COAL AND IRON COMPANY, NO. 80 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 5, 1870.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the Wilkes Barre Coal and Iron Company, for the election of Directors and transaction of such other business as may be presented, will be held at the office of the Company at Wilkes Barre, Penn., on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 26, at 11 o'clock A. M. The polls will close at 1 o'clock P. M.

Transfer books will be closed from the 18th to the 27th inst., both days inclusive.

By order,

S. M. WILLIAMS, Secretary, pro tem.

OFFICE OF CONSOLIDATION COAL CO. OF MD., No. 71 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 5, 1870.

IN CONFORMITY TO THE CHARTER. the annual meeting of the Stockholders for the election of President and Directors, and for the transaction of other business, will be held at noon on Wednesday, the 19th of January, 1870, at the office of the Company, No. 71 Broadway, in the City of New-York, and for the purposes of such election the polls will be kept open for one hour. The transfer books will be closed on Jan. 10, and remain so until after the election.

JAMES S. MACKIE, Vice-President.

SOUTH GEORGIA AND FLORIDA RAILROAD COMPANY'S First Mortgage Seven Per Cent Bonds, indorsed by the State of Georgia, and both principal and interest guaranteed by the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad Company, by which the former road has been leased.

It is fifty-eight miles in length, and the entire issue of the bonds is but $500,000. For sale by

M. K. JESUP & CO., No. 12 Pine-st.

OFFICE OF THE EAGLE FIRE COMPANY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 20, 1869.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIrectors of this Company, and for Inspectors, will be held at the Company's office, No. 72 Wall-st., on TUESDAY, the 11th January, 1870, commencing at 12 o'clock M., and closing at 1 o'clock P. M.

A. J. CLINTON, Secretary.

THE NATIONAL PARK BANK OF NEW YORK, Dec. 28, 1869.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIrectors of this Bank will be held at the banking house, No. 212 Broadway, on the second TUESDAY in January, (11th proximo,) between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.

J. L. WORTH, Cashier.

NATIONAL BUTCHERS' AND DROVERS' BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 15, 1869.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIrectors of this Bank will be held at the banking house, No. 124 Bowery, on TUESDAY, Jan. 11, 1870, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.

O. G. BRINKERHOFF, Cashier.

BROADWAY INSURANCE COMPANY, Jan. 5, 1870.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIrectors of this Company will be held at its office, No. 158 Broadway, on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 19, 1870, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 o'clock P. M.

JOHN WRAY, Secretary.

MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, Dec. 18, 1869.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIrectors of this bank will be held at the banking house, No. 48 Wall-st., on TUESDAY, the 11th January next, between the hours of 12 M., and 1 P. M. Polls open from 12 M. to 1 P. M.

JOHN PARKER, Cashier.

THE MARKET NATIONAL BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 21, 1869.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIrectors of this Bank will be held at the banking rooms on TUESDAY, Jan. 11, 1870, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.

A. GILBERT, Cashier.

EIGHTH NATIONAL BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 11, 1869.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIrectors of this bank will be held at the banking rooms, No. 850 Broadway, on TUESDAY, Jan. 11, 1870, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.

CHAS. HUDSON, Cashier.

12½ PER CENT. INTEREST—CHEAP. Best securities in the market.

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FINANCIAL.

THE FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS OF THE Chicago, Danville and Vincennes RAILROAD.

Total amount to be issued.....	$2,500,000
Capital Stock paid in.....	2,100,000
Estimated Cost of Road (140 miles)	4,500,000
Estimated Earnings per annum	2,639,306
Net Earnings per annum.....	879,768
Interest on the Loan per annum.	175,000
Amount of Bonds per mile of Road.	18,000
Amount of Interest per mile.....	1,260
Amount of Net Earnings per mile.	6,284

The Bonds follow the completion of the Road—have the Union Trust Company of New-York as their Official Register and Transfer Agent—and are sold at present at 95 and accrued interest.

They bear examination and comparison better, it is believed, than any other now before the public, in the fixed and unchangeable elements of *Safety, Security, and Profit.*

They bear good interest—Seven per cent. Gold for forty years—and are secured by a *Sinking Fund*, and First Mortgage upon the road, its outfit, and net income, the Franchises, and all present and future acquired property of the Company.

They depend upon no new or half-settled territory for business to pay their interest, but upon an old, well-settled, and productive country;—assuming that a railroad *built* through the heart of such a region offers better security for both *Interest* and *Principal* than a road *to be built* through the most highly-extolled wilderness or sparsely-settled territory.

This Railroad possesses special advantages, in running into and out of the City of Chicago, an important Railroad and Commercial Centre; in running through a line of villages and old farming settlements in the richest portion of the State of Illinois; in running near to deposits of Iron Ore of great extent and value, and over broad fields of the best coal in the State—which mining interests are its monopoly. And besides the local and other business thus assured, there will be attracted to this road the considerable traffic already springing up "From the Lakes to the Gulf;" as with its Southern Connections it forms a Trunk Line 45 miles shorter than any other route from Chicago to Nashville.

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Governments selling while the price is high, pay well if put into these Bonds, and Trust or Estate Funds can be put into NOTHING BETTER.

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A SEVEN PER CENT. GOLD LOAN.

$6,500,000.

The Kansas Pacific Railway, now in successful operation from Kansas City to Sheridan, proposes to build an extension to Denver, Colorado. The Government has granted Three Million of Acres of the finest lands in Kansas and Colorado, which are mortgaged for the security of a loan of

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This loan is secured in the most effectual manner. It represents a road in profitable operation, and will open the trade of the Rocky Mountain country, and connect it with the great markets of the East. It is considered to be one of the best loans in the market, EVEN BETTER IN SOME RESPECTS THAN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

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OFFICE OF WELLS, FARGO & COMPANY, NO. 84 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1869.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the transfer books of this Company will be closed on the 19th day of January, 1870, at 3 o'clock P. M., to enable the Company to ascertain who are owners of the stock of the old Ten Million Capital. The owners of that stock will be entitled to participate in the distribution of assets provided for by the agreement with the Pacific Express Company.

The transfer books will be opened on the 22d day of January, at 10 o'clock A. M., after which time the $5,000,000 new stock will be delivered.

Notice is also given that the transfer books of this Company will be closed on the 25th day of January, 1870, at 3 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of holding the annual election for Directors of this Company. The books will be reopened on the 7th day of February, at 10 o'clock A. M. GEORGE K. OTIS, Secretary.

FOURTH NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 11, 1869.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this bank for the election of nine Directors and three Inspectors of Election, will be held at their banking room on TUESDAY, Jan. 11, 1870, between the hours of 11 and 1 o'clock P. M.

The transfer books will be closed from the close of business on Friday, Jan. 7, until the following Wednesday morning. B. SEAMAN, Cashier.

OFFICE OF THE DRY DOCK, EAST BROADWAY AND BATTERY RAILROAD COMPANY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 16, 1869.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIrectors of this Company, and for Inspectors of next election, will be held on TUESDAY, 11th January, 1870, at the office of the Company, No. 354 East 14th-st. Polls open from 12

SHIPPING.

FOR LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN.
Inman and National Mail Steamers carry the United States Mail as follows:
CITY OF NEW-YORK: (Via Halifax.)
Tuesday, Jan. 11, 10 P. M.
CITY OF PARIS.....Saturday, Jan. 15, 1 P. M.
CITY OF BROOKLYN.....Saturday, Jan. 22, 9 A. M.
CITY OF BOSTON, (Via Halifax.)
Tuesday, Jan. 25, 12 M.
And thence every succeeding SATURDAY and alternate TUESDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.
RATES OF PASSAGE.
BY THE MAIL STEAMER SAILING EVERY SATURDAY.

PAYABLE IN GOLD.	PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
First Cabin.....$100	Steerage.....$35
To London.....105	To London.....40
To Paris.....115	To Paris.....43

PASSAGE BY THE TUESDAY STEAMER, VIA HALIFAX.

FIRST CABIN. PAYABLE IN GOLD.	STEERAGE. PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
Liverpool.....$80	Liverpool.....$30
Halifax.....20	Halifax.....15
St. John's, N. F., by Branch Steamer....} 45	St. John's, N. F., by Branch Steamer....} 30

Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at reduced rates.
Tickets can be bought here at moderate rates by persons wishing to send for their friends.
For further information apply at the Company's Office. JOHN G. DALE, Agent,
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THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.
The splendid vessels on this favorite route for the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River as follows:
LAFAYETTE.....ROUSSAN..SATURDAY, Jan. 22
PEREIRE.....DUCHESNE..SATURDAY, Feb. 5
VILLE DE PARIS..SURMONT..SATURDAY, Feb. 19
ST. LAURENT.....LEMARIE..SATURDAY, Mar. 5
Rates of passage payable in gold, (including wine.)
TO BREST OR HAVRE, First cabin, $140; second cabin, $75.
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THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS,
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL,
CALLING AT CORK—HARBOR.
Java, Wednesday, Jan. 12 | Cleopatra, Today, Jan. 22
Aleppo, Thursday, Jan. 13 | Russia, Wednesday, Feb. 2
Cuba, Wednesday, Jan. 19 | Palmyra, Thursd'y, Feb. 3
Samaria, Thursday, Jan. 20 | Nemesis, Wednesd'y, Feb. 9
Calabria, Wed'sday, Jan. 26 | Tripoli, Thursday, Feb. 10
RATES OF PASSAGE.
By the Wednesday steamers, not carrying steerage.
First Cabin....$120, gold. Second Cabin....$80, gold.
First Cabin, to Paris.....$145, gold.
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First Cabin....$80, gold. Steerage....$30, currency.
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THE ANCHOR LINE,
Favorite Clyde-built passenger Steamers, are intended to sail as follows:
COLUMBIA.....Jan. 15 | CAMBRIA.....Feb. 5
EUROPA.....Jan. 22 | IOWA.....Feb. 12
INDIA.....Jan. 29 | CALEDONIA.....Feb. 19
and each SATURDAY thereafter, from Pier No. 20 North River, at 12 o'clock, noon.
RATES OF PASSAGE PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
Cabins, to Liverpool, Glasgow or Derry, $90 and $75. Excursion tickets, good for 12 months, $160.
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Prepaid Certificates from these ports, $37.
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(VIA QUEENSTOWN,)
CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAILS.
THE LIVERPOOL AND GREAT WESTERN STEAM COMPANY will dispatch one of their first-class full-power iron screw steamships from
PIER NO. 46 NORTH RIVER, EVERY WEDNESDAY,
as follows:
MINNESOTA, Captain PRICE.....Jan. 12, at 1½ P. M.
IDAHO, Captain CUTTING.....Jan. 19, at 7½ A. M.
NEVADA, Captain GREEN.....Jan. 26, at 2 P. M.
COLORADO, Captain WILLIAMS.....Feb. 2, at 8 A. M.
NEBRASKA, Captain GIRARD.....Feb. 9, at noon.
MANHATTAN, Captain FORSYTH. Feb. 16, at 3 P. M.
Cabin passage, $80 gold.
Steerage passage, (Office No. 29 Broadway,) $30 currency.
For freight or cabin passage apply to
WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 63 Wall-st.

NATIONAL LINE.
STEAM TO LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN,
From Pier No. 47 North River.
THE QUEEN, THOMPSON, Saturday, Jan. 22, at 8 A.M.
DENMARK, FORBES, Saturday, Jan. 29, at 1 P. M.
Passage to Liverpool or Queenstown: Cabin, $100 and $80; Steerage, $30, currency.
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Apply at the Company's office, No. 69 Broadway.
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FREIGHT AND PASSAGE GREATLY REDUCED.
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First Class.	Steerage.
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ON 5TH AND 20TH OF EACH MONTH,
except when those days fall on Sunday, then the day previous.
One hundred pounds of baggage free to each adult. Medicine and attendance free.
JAN. 21—ALASKA, Captain GRAY, connecting with GOLDEN CITY, Captain LAPIDGE
Steamer AMERICA will leave San Francisco Feb. 3, 1870, for China and Japan.
NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.
For reduced rates of freight apply on wharf. Freight for steamer ALASKA received until 4 P. M. on THURSDAY, Jan. 13, from Pier No. 36 North River, at steamship's collecting inland charges, &c.
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UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 23d of every month:
MERRIMACK, Capt. WISE, Jan. 23.
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FOR NASSAU, N. P.
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ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
Sailing regularly every THURSDAY, at 3 o'clock P. M., precisely, from Pier No. 4 North River.
COLUMBIA, Capt. R. JAY SICS.....Jan. 13
EAGLE, Captain M. R. GREENE.....Jan. 20
MORRO CASTLE, Capt. R. ADAMS, via Nassau. Jan. 27
For freight or passage apply to
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PUERTA PLATA, SAMANA, SANTO DOMINGO.
The United States Mail Steamship,
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AND THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST.
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FOUR STEAMERS A WEEK,
TUESDAY,
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THE STEAMSHIPS
LEO, Capt. DEARBORN, TUESDAY, Jan. 11, from Pier No. 16 East River, at 5 P. M.
MURRAY, FERRIS & CO., Agents,
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GENERAL BARNES, Captain MALLORY, THURSDAY, Jan. 13, from Pier No. 36 North River, at 3 P. M. LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents,
No. 38 Liberty-st.

SAN JACINTO, Captain ATKINS, SATURDAY, Jan. 15, from Pier No. 8 North River, at 3 P. M.
WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling-green.

HUNTSVILLE, Captain CROWELL, SATURDAY, Jan. 15, from Pier No. 13 North River, at 3 P. M.
R. LOWDEN, Agent,
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FOR CHARLESTON, S.C.,
THE FLORIDA PORTS, THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST—REGULAR LINE.
The sidewheel steamship MAGNOLIA, M. B. CROWELL, Commander, will sail
THURSDAY, Jan. 13, 1870, at 3 P. M.,
from Pier No. 8 North River, foot of Rector-st.
Rates of passage—Charleston, $15.
Through bills of lading to all points South and Southwest.
Agents in Charleston (Ravenel & Co.) forward all goods free of commission. Insurance effected at this office at one-half of one per cent.
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The steamship SARAGOSSA will sail on Jan. 20.

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VIA FERNANDINA ROUTE.
THE FLORIDA RAILROAD COMPANY WILL DISPATCH THE
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CATHARINE WHITING,
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On THURSDAY, Jan. 13, from Pier No. 29 North River, at 3 P. M. Cargo delivered without literage at Mobile.
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4:00 P. M., Montreal express, drawing-room cars attached.
6:30 P. M., Pacific express, with sleeping cars through to Chicago without change, via N. C. Railroad, also L. S. and M. S. Railroad, (daily.)
11:00 P. M., night express, sleeping cars attached.
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1:00 and 6:50 P. M., Sing Sing trains.
6:40, 7:30, 9:10 A. M., 12 M., 3, 4:25, 5:10, 7 and 11:30 P. M., Yonkers trains.
(9:00 A. M. to Poughkeepsie Sundays.)
Nov. 15, 1869. J. M. TOUCEY, Superintendent.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS WILL LEAVE Depots at foot of Chambers-st. and foot of 23d-st., as follows:
Through Express trains leave Chambers-st. at 8 A. M., 10 A. M. and 6:30 P. M., (daily.) leave 23d-st. at 7:45 A. M. and 6:45 A. M., and 6:15 P. M. (daily.) New and improved Drawing-room Coaches will accompany the 8 A. M. train through to Buffalo, connecting at Hornellsville with magnificent Sleeping Coaches through to Cleveland and Galion. Sleeping Coaches will accompany the 10 A. M. train from Susquehanna to Buffalo, and the 6:30 P. M. train to Rochester, Buffalo and Cincinnati. An Emigrant train leaves daily at 8 P. M.
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For Otisville and Way at 8:30 A. M. daily, (23d-st. 8:15 A. M.)
For Newburg and Way at 8 A. M., 3:30 and 4:30 P. M., (23d-st. 7:45 A. M., 3:15 and 4:15 P. M.)
For Piermont and Way, 5 P. M. and 6 P. M.; (23d-st 4:45 and 5:45 P. M.) Theatre train, 11:30 P. M., (23d-st 11 P. M.)
For Paterson and Way, from 23d-st. Depot, at 8:45 A. M., 11:45 A. M., 1:45 P. M., 5:45 P. M., (daily.) 8:45 A. M., 5:15 P. M. and 6:45 P. M. From Chambers-st. Depot, at 8:45 A. M., 9:15 A. M., 12 M., 1:45 P. M., (daily,) 4 P. M., 5:15 P. M. and 6:45 P. M.
For Hackensack and Way, from 23d-st. Depot, at 8:45 A. M., 11:45 A. M., 3:45 P. M., 5:15 P. M., 5:45 P. M. and 6:45 P. M. From Chambers-st. Depot, at 9 A. M., 12 M., 4 P. M., 5:15 P. M., 6 P. M. and 6:45 P. M.
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WANTED—BY A PROTESTANT YOUNG woman as cook, country or City; a thorough cook or would assist; clean up of all kinds and pastry; excellent baker; good testimonials. Apply at No. 129 4th-av., near No. 22d.

WANTED—BY A MIDDLE-AGED WOMAN, with excellent City references, a situation in a private family, or to nurse an invalid or child; is kind and attentive in sickness; wages $6. Call at No. 303 East 29th-st., near 2d-av.

WANTED—BY A FIRST-CLASS COOK, WITH excellent City reference, a situation in a private family or boarding house; makes pastries, soups and jellies, an excellent baker; does the coarse washing; wages, $15. Call at No. 308 East 29th-st., near 2d-av.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE PROTestant woman, a few gentlemen's or ladies' washings, or she would do ladies' by the month; good references given. Call or address Mrs. MITCHELL, No. 149 West 4th-st.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE GERMAN girl with best City reference, a situation as ladies' maid, or for doing light chamberwork and sewing in a Protestant private family. Call at No. 434 West 26th-st., in the basement.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE PROTESTant woman a situation as cook and baker; would assist in the washing if desired; good reference given. Can be seen at No. 154 West 18th-st., near 7th-av.; first floor, front room.

WANTED—BY A DRESSMAKER, IN A private family, work by day or week; can do all kinds of family sewing on Grover & Baker's machine. Can be seen at No. 61 West Seventeenth-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable girl as nurse and seamstress, or as chambermaid and assist with the washing; good City references. Apply at 61 4th-av., between 9th and 10th sts.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS SEAMSTRESS by an American Protestant; can operate on the machine, or care for children and do chamberwork. Apply at No. 207 West 26th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A GERMAN girl to do general housework, or as cook, washer and ironer; City reference. Apply at No. 1 First-st., corner of the Bowery.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS FIRST-CLASS cook; understands soup, fish, game, creams, jellies, boning and larding; best City reference. Call at No. 52 22d-st., between Broadway and 5th-av.

WANTED—BY A GERMAN PROTESTANT girl, a situation as cook, washer and ironer, or for house or chamberwork. Apply at No. 138 6th-av., above 10th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable woman (French) as nurse and seamstress; can be well recommended. Apply at No. 340 4th-av., corner 25th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG woman as first-class laundress; understands French starching, fine muslins, &c.; the best City references. Apply at No. 340 4th-av., corner 25th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS NURSE AND to assist in chamberwork; best reference given from last employers. Call from 10 to 3 o'clock, at No. 19 Marion-st., in the rear.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A FIRST-class laundress; can do all kinds of finting; the best of references. Apply at No. 310 East 26th-st., near 2d-av.

WANTED—WASHING BY A GOOD WASHer and ironer. Apply at No. 133 West 19th-st., back room, second floor.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG American girl, a situation as child's nurse and do plain sewing. Call or address No. 228 West 19th-st.

AT BEDELL'S, NOS. 340 AND 342 4th-av., corner of 25th-st., are wanted a number of servants to fill places now vacant, viz.: ladies' maids, seamstresses, cooks, laundresses, waitresses, chambermaids, nurses and girls of all work.

AT CARPENTER'S EMPLOYMENT House, corner 11th-st. and 6th-av., can be found constantly on hand first-class and well recommended German, French, American, and Irish servants, both male and female.

AT BOOKHAM'S, NO. 339 4TH-AV., Anew No. 235.—For country or City, a large number of recommended professed Protestant and other cooks, experienced nurses, seamstresses, waitresses, chambermaids, laundresses, housework'rs, young girls, &c.

GREAT INTERNATIONAL OFFICE. German, French, American and Protestant servants our specialty, and always on hand, together with Irish. Call at No. 138 6th-av., above 10th-st.

MALES.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS USEFUL MAN on a gentleman's place, by a very experienced and responsible young Englishman of Protestant principles; is a thorough groom and driver; understands plain gardening, milking, &c.; would like a place with a cottage for his wife; no children; is a careful and valuable man; unexceptionable reference. Apply at No. 10 Tillary-st., Brooklyn.

WANTED—SITUATIONS BY A SCOTCH-man and his wife (both Protestants) on a gentleman's place. The man as useful man; understands the care of horses, driving, milking cow, plain gardening, &c. His wife is an excellent cook, washer and ironer. A respectable home more an object of reference. Apply at No. 10 Tillary-st., Brooklyn.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A MARRIED man as first-class gardener or farmer, on or before the 15th of January; understands his business thoroughly; greenhouses, hot and cold grapery; best references from his last employer. Address A. B., for three days, Box No. 192 Times Office.

WANTED—A COACHMAN'S SITUATION by a single young man who thoroughly understands his business; a good driver and excellent groom; sober and industrious; has the best City reference from his last employer. Address COACHMAN, No. 25 Fulton-st., Brooklyn.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS FIRST-CLASS coachman and groom, by a Scotchman, with best City references; is thoroughly reliable, and understands his business in every respect. Call or address D. T., No. 12 North Washington-square.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS COACHMAN and groom by a single man of long experience; understands his business thoroughly; is willing and obliging; has good reference. Address J. L., Box No. 204 Times Office, or No. 2 West 13th-st., for three days.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS GROOM, BY A Protestant young man, in a private family; the best City reference given. Inquire at No. 116 West 20th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS COACHMAN by a young man; understands his business; has the best City references. Call on Monday, at No. 1,252 Broadway.

A YOUNG GENTLEMAN OF ABOUT 28 years of age, who speaks and writes Spanish, French, English and German fluently, is open to an engagement; no objection to travelling; best City reference. Address C. W., No. 236 Hicks-st., Brooklyn, Washington House.

HELP WANTED.

TO THE WORKING CLASS.—We are now prepared to furnish all classes with constant employment at home, the whole of the time or for the spare moments. Business new, light and profitable. Persons of either sex easily earn from 50 cts. to $5 per evening, and a proportional sum by devoting their whole time to the business. Boys and girls earn nearly as much as men. That all who see this notice may send their address, and test the business, we make this unparalleled offer: To such as are not well satisfied, we will send $1 to pay for the trouble of writing. Full particulars, a valuable sample, which will do to commence work on, and a copy of *The People's Literary Companion*—one of the largest and best family newspapers published—all sent free by mail. Reader, if you want permanent, profitable work, address E. C. ALLEN & CO., Augusta, Maine.

TRAVELING SALESMEN WHO ARE temporarily disengaged can get an opportunity to make handsome commissions on a popular selling stock by applying at NICHOLSON & BOUND'S, No. 41 Ann-st.

WANTED—AN EXPERIENCED ENTRY clerk—one who is quick and accurate and who writes rapidly and handsomely, and is familiar with entering batches, jewelry and fancy goods. None others need apply. Address by letter only, with name, references and salary expected, FELLOWS & CO.

WANTED—A PROTESTANT WOMAN AS seamstress and nurse; one who understands taking charge of an infant. Apply with references between 12 and 2, on Monday next, at No. 14 5th-av.

FIRST-CLASS CANVASSERS CAN GET an opportunity to make handsome commissions on a popular selling stock by applying at NICHOLSON & BOUND'S, No. 41 Ann-st.

FRENCH ADVERTISEMENTS.

UNE FRANCAISE PROTESTANTE, ayant de tres jeune, demande une place dans une famille respectable, pour soigner des enfants et caudre. S'addresser à No. 506 Sixième-av., entre la 30me et la 31me rue.

MISCELLANEOUS.

REDUCTION ON CABLE MESSAGES TO AND FROM HAVANA, CUBA.
TO TAKE EFFECT JAN. 1, 1870.
For ten words or less, counting address, date and signature, from any office of the Western Union Telegraph Company in the United States, east of the Mississippi River, including St. Louis, Mo., and excepting Key West, Fla., $5 (gold.) For each word over ten words, 40c. (gold.)
For ten words or less, counting address, date and signature, from any office of the Western Union Telegraph Company west of the Mississippi River, excepting St. Louis, Mo., $7 50 (gold.) For each word over ten words, 75c. (gold.)

KRYOLITE
For sale in lots to suit purchasers.
PENN. SALT MANUFACTURING COMPANY,
No. 121 Walnut-st., Philadelphia; or,
CLIFFORD PEMBERTON, AGENT,
Pittsburg, Penn.

BLACK BASS OF THE LAKES OF America (Grystes Nigricans).—The advertiser wishes to procure a quantity of this fish for acclimatization in this country during the coming Spring, and will be glad to treat with any one wishing to undertake their delivery here. Address A. B., care of Mr. LAFARGUE, No. 1 Adelaide-place, London Bridge, London, England.

MARBLE MANTELS.

MARBLEIZED SLATE MANTELS.—Rich and elegant designs, from $8 to $15 up to $200.
T. B. STEWART & CO.,
No. 605 6th-av., bet ween 36th and 37th sts.

MARBLE AND MARBLEIZED MANtels.—300 mantels of the latest designs on hand; a liberal discount allowed on all bills sold this month. A. ELLARE, 134 and 136 East 13th-st., near 3d-av., N. Y.

DRY GOODS.

AT KINZEY'S,
PREPARING FOR SPECIAL PAYMENTS.
BARGAINS
STOCK CLOSING OUT.

RIBBONS! RIBBONS!
BONNET RIBBONS, 6c., 8c., 10c., 12½c., 15c.
SASH RIBBONS, 25c., 31c., 40c., 60c.
NECK RIBBONS, 3c., 6c., 8c., 10c., 12½c.
REMNANTS OF RIBBONS,
CLEARING OUT.
OUR PLUSH VELVET AND SILK HATS, 25c.
FLOWERS AND FEATHERS CLOSING.

TRIMMINGS AND VELVETS.
LOTS OF TRIMMINGS, 25c. to 75c. a piece.
SILK FRINGES, 3c., 6c., 10c., 12c. a yard.
RICH TRIMMINGS, 20c. to $1 a piece.
SILK VELVETS, 10c. to 50c. a piece.
WIDE SILK VELVETS, 10c. to 25c.
VELVETEENS CLOSING OUT, 40c., 50c., 65c.
SILK PLUSHES CLOSING AT 70c.
BONNET VELVETS, 65c., 75c., 90c., $1.
SILK AND SATINS CLOSING OUT.
GREAT REDUCTION.
GOODS
CLOSING OUT
REGARDLESS OF COST.

HOSIERY AND GLOVES.
CLOTH GLOVES CLOSING AT 25c., 31c., 40c.
KID GLOVES, 15c., 25c., 50c., 75c.
PARTI-COLORED KIDS CLOSING AT 50c.
REAL JOUVIN'S KIDS, BOILED, 50c. pair.
GENTS' KID GLOVES CLOSING, 75c.
ENGLISH MERINO HALF-HOSE, 25c.
CHILDREN'S FANCY WOOL HOSE, 10c.
FRENCH SUSPENDERS CLOSING, 25c. pair.
NECK-TIES AND BOWS, 6c., 10c., 12½c.
MERINO VESTS AND DRAWERS, 50c.

Bargains in Embroideries.
HAMBURG EDGINGS, 3c., 10c., 12½c., 15c.
WORKED DOUBLE BANDS, 15c., 25c., 50c.
WORKED EDGINGS AND INSERTIONS CLOSING.
CHEMISETTES CLOSING OUT, 37½c. to 95c.
LOTS OF RUFFLINGS, 15c. and 25c. a piece.
WORKED SETS, 62c. to $1 50.
LACES AND ILLUSIONS CLOSING OUT.
GENTS' AND LADIES' HANDKERCHIEFS CLOSING OUT from 5c. up, all qualities.
RUFFLED COLLARS CLOSING at 6c.
LACE AND MUSLIN COLLARS CLOSING.

GOODS AT YOUR OWN PRICES.
FANCY GOODS.
CLOSING LOT OF SPOOL COTTON, FULL LENGTHS, 1c.
SEWING SILK CLOSING OUT, 1c.
FANCY BUTTONS AT YOUR OWN PRICE.
CLOSING FANCY COMBS, 10c. to 25c.
SETS OF JEWELRY, CHAINS, PINS, &c.
BRAIDS, TRIMMINGS, FANS, &c., &c.
WM. KINZEY,
NO. 645 BROADWAY,
SECOND DOOR ABOVE BLEECKER.

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICES.

SPECIAL NOTICE.
The undersigned having been for the last forty years a full, equal and senior partner of the lately dissolved firm of A. BININGER & CO., established in 1776, and having commenced business next door below the old stand, under the firm name of A. BININGER CLARK & SON, (Successor,) have been restrained by Judge Gilbert, of the Supreme Court of New-York, from using my PATRIMONIAL name of BININGER, also that of SUCCESSOR, I would hereby inform the public that for the present and until my name Bininger be restored to me by Judge Gilbert, I shall do business in the Wine, Liquor and Fine Family Grocery trade, under the name and title of ABRAHAM B. CLARK & SON, No. 96 Liberty-st.

DISSOLUTION.
The copartnership heretofore existing between GEORGE OWEN, SMITH OWEN, WILLIAM H. HISCOX and REUBEN L. ALLEN, under the name of O., O. & H. OWEN & CO., is this day dissolved by mutual consent. WILLIAM H. HISCOX retiring from the firm. The remaining partners will continue the business under the same firm name, and settle all accounts of the late firm.
GEORGE OWEN,
SMITH OWEN,
WM. C. HISCOX,
REUBEN L. ALLEN.
PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 1, 1870.

LIMITED PARTNERSHIP.—THIS IS to certify that the subscribers have formed a limited partnership, pursuant to the provisions of title 1, chapter 4, part 2, of the Revised Statutes of the State of New-York, and of the several acts amendatory thereof, for the transaction of business within the State of New-York, to be conducted under the name or firm of COCHRAN, HAMILTON & CO., in the City of New-York; the general nature of the business intended to be transacted is Stock Brokerage business, wholly on commission, including the buying and selling on commission of bonds, gold and security; the names of all the general and special partners interested therein, and their respective places of residence, are as follows: General partners, ROBERT COCHRAN, WILLIAM H. HAMILTON and HENRY CLAPP, all of the City of New-York; in the State of New-York; special partner, WELLINGTON CLAPP, of said City of New-York; the amount of capital which said special partner has contributed to the common stock is the sum of $40,000 in cash; the partnership is to commence on the 3d day of January, 1870, and will terminate on the 1st day of January, 1873.
ROBT. COCHRAN,
WM. H. HAMILTON, } General partners.
HENRY

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

NEW-YORK.

St. Ann's Free Church for Deaf Mutes and their friends, Eighteenth-street, near Fifth-avenue, has, through its sisterhood and brotherhood, undertaken a mission work in the chapel on the south side of Eighteenth-street, near Eighth-avenue. The brotherhood of the parish has assumed the rent of the room and other expenses, amounting to between $200 and $700 a year. The brotherhood also desires to assist the rector in caring for the sick and needy. As one method for procuring the necessary means for its work, it has arranged for two lectures to be given in the Hall of the Young Men's Christian Association, corner of Twenty-third-street and Fourth-avenue, at 8 P. M., on Tuesdays, the 11th and 25th of January, 1870, by Rev. WM. H. MILBURN, on the following subjects: "What a Blind Man Saw in Paris." "What a Blind Man Saw in England."

The stockholders of the "Free German School," Nos. 140 and 142 East Fourth-street, held their semi-annual meeting yesterday. Reports were made, showing that the number of pupils in the school averaged 865 during the last six months. They were instructed by eleven teachers, in eleven schoolrooms. The receipts of the school during that period were $6,247 43, chiefly from school money, and the expenditures $6,233 13, mainly for teachers' salaries. Besides the receipts named, $5,000 from the Excise Fund were granted and handed over to the school in November last.

The Young Men's Christian Association have a social gathering of the members and their lady friends this evening, at their new building, Fourth-avenue and Twenty-third-street. Members elect are also invited.

Hon. STEWART L. WOODFORD will give his celebrated lecture on "Phil. Sheridan" this evening, in the West Twenty-third-street Presbyterian Church. The lecture will be free.

Rev. Dr. JOHN HALL, HORACE GREELEY, Rev. Dr. RIDGWAY and others, will address the temperance meeting at the Presbyterian Church, (Rev. Dr. MCELROY'S,) corner of Fourteenth-street and Sixth-avenue, this evening. The house should be filled.

EDWARD WARDLOW, 22 years of age, who resides at No. 33 East Thirty-seventh-street, while intoxicated last evening at the Mills House, corner of Fourth-avenue and Twenty-seventh-street, attempted to commit suicide, by stabbing himself in the breast with an oyster knife, but only succeeded in inflicting a slight wound, when he was seized by a companion and prevented from consummating his design. Poverty was alleged as the cause that induced him to make the attempt upon his life.

Skating will commence in earnest to-day at the various rinks, at Jack Frost holds his own. At MACMILLAN'S pond in Fifth-avenue, between Forty-sixth and Forty-seventh streets, it is announced that all is ready for the ladies and gentlemen on runners. The Central Park ponds are not yet prepared for them.

The first annual reception of Ocean Lodge, No. 110, I. O. O. F., of which Mr. CHARLES VANDEWART is President, will take place at Irving Hall, next Friday evening. The members of the Grand Lodge are invited to be present, and it is expected to be a brilliant and enjoyable entertainment. Mr. MORTIMER GREEN will act as floor manager.

Before the German Freetbinkers' Society, at No. 101 Hester-street, yesterday afternoon, Mr. JACOB SCHORNHOF lectured on the "Origin, Development and Subsequent Decay of Feudalism and Serfdom in Europe in the Middle Ages."

A fine collection of engravings, some 10,000 in number, many of them extremely rare, will be sold at auction by LEAVITT, STEBBEIGH & Co., at Clinton Hall, this evening.

FRANCISCO ZEPADO, the Cuban who committed the felonious assault on HENRY and MARY LEWIS on Saturday night, as already published, was committed yesterday by Justice DOWLING, to await the result of the injuries.

HENRY HARMAN, who was injured some time ago by a blow on the head from an ax in the hands of DENNIS HARTNETT, is reported to be in a dangerous condition at the New-York Hospital. The assailant is still in the Tombs, awaiting the result of the case.

ADELINE HOFFMAN, who shot JOSEPH RINKS in the saloon No. 103 Chatham-street on Wednesday last, was committed yesterday by Justice DOWLING for trial.

CATHARINE GEARY, a native of Ireland, died suddenly yesterday at No. 23 Mulberry-street, without medical attendance. The Coroner was notified to hold an inquest, and also in the like case of JOHN NEVINS at No. 538 West Twenty-ninth-street.

JOHN A. BOLIEN, a German, 70 years of age, died yesterday from injuries received some days ago by being thrown from his wagon in Broadway, near Forty-second-street. Coroner KEENAN held an inquest and a verdict of accidental death was rendered.

BROOKLYN.

An unknown man fell into the river at the foot of Van Brunt-street, on Saturday night, and although efforts were made to rescue him, he was drowned.

D. B. WOODWARD, a carpenter, residing at the corner of Fourth-avenue and Baltic-street, slipped and fell on the sidewalk in Warren-street, on Saturday night, and broke his right leg. He was taken to the City Hospital.

The tailoring shop of M. P. LINDERBERG, No. 142 Clinton-street, was damaged to the extent of $200 by fire on Sunday morning.

The dwelling No. 124 High-street, occupied by ROBERT GATES, was damaged by fire about $150 yesterday afternoon; insured.

In the Forty-ninth Precinct there were 101 street lamps not lighted on Saturday night.

LONG ISLAND.

The contractors of the connection between the South Side Railroad and that part purchased of the Flushing line are pushing the construction of the road bed in a very energetic manner, and will, no doubt, have the connection finished so that the South Side Company can run their trains into Hunter's Point by Spring.

Mrs. HALLETT, of Riverhead, was robbed one day last week of a box of jewelry, while purchasing goods at the store of TERRELL & TAFT. While busy looking at the goods, she placed the box on the counter, and when ready to go no box could be found.

The steel works at East Hampton, which have been closed during the holidays, resumed work on Thursday last.

The citizens of Hempstead and people living along the proposed branch running from the above place to Valley Stream, on the South Side Railroad, are rapidly subscribing for the stock. As this branch, work will be commenced early in the Spring.

The residents of Port Jefferson have subscribed $9,100 toward the extention of the Northport branch of the Long Island Railroad to that place.

The work on the Sag Harbor branch of the Long Island Railroad is rapidly progressing. It is intended to have trains running into Southampton on the 24th inst.

At the recent corporation meeting at Sag Harbor, it was resolved to petition Congress for the cession of the arsenal building, long disused by the General Government, in this place.

Mr. CHARLICK, President of the Long Island Railroad, has contracted for a fine depot at West Hampton.

Rev. W. H. TAILOR, of Staten Island, has accepted a call to the Presbyterian Church at Greenport.

Rev. WM. H. KNOUSE, of Cutchogue, has accepted a call to the Congregational Church at Deep River, Conn.

Justice SILLIMAN sentenced FANNING, who cut open MULLANY'S head last Friday evening in Flushing, to the County Jail for sixty days, but on account of the pleadings of his mother, let him off with a payment of $25 to MULLANY.

Mrs. READY was sentenced by Justice QUARTERMAN to the County Jail for ninety days for breaking windows in College Point, while laboring under a fit of temporary insanity, induced by the use of too much liquor.

NEW JERSEY.

At an early hour yesterday morning the saloon of PETER CONWAY, on Wyckliffe-street, Newark, was broken into and robbed of property valued at $20. Four boys, ranging in age from sixteen to eighteen years, are suspected of the theft. One of them, named DANIEL KELWAY, has been arrested.

The ball is up at BRADY'S immense skating Rink, corner of Montgomery, Henderson and York streets, Jersey City. The establishment has been elegantly fitted up, and a fine band of music has been engaged. At the opening to-night the New-York Skating Club and FRANK SWIFT, ENGLER, MACMILLAN and other experts will exhibit their skill.

The Steuben Monument.

The Steuben Riflemen and the trustees of the Steuben Monument Association of this City met at the Steuben House yesterday afternoon. Mr. SIXTUS C. KAPFF, the Chairman, made a report with regard to an interview he had with ex-Governor HORATIO SEYMOUR concerning the erection of a monument on the grave of General STEUBEN, near Steubenville, N. Y. He stated that the funds on hand thus far, for the purpose named, consisted of $500 appropriated by the Legislature, and intrusted to ex-Governor SEYMOUR, $943 raised by the Steuben Monument Association in former years, and $416 made up by the Steuben Riflemen by a festival last Fall. It was resolved that the funds on hand thus far be kept on interest for one year, and that the Committee on Finance be empowered further to collect money for them to determine upon the execution of the monument. It having been further stated that ex-Governor Seymour and General Franz Sigel, O. Ottendorfer, Frederick Kapp, Judge J. J. Freedman and Sixtus Kapff had agreed to deliver addresses at the inauguration of the monument, it was resolved that the inauguration take place June 1 next. The meeting then adjourned.

OUR PENITENTIARY SYSTEM.

The Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution—Memorial of the New-York Prison Association.

The memorial of the Prison Association of New-York to the Legislature in favor of an amendment to the Constitution, as to our Penitentiary system, which will be laid on the table of the members next Wednesday, contains many interesting facts, of which we present the following summary:

The Inspectors, in their annual report made Jan. 1, 1869, asked from the Legislature appropriations to the amount of $1,006,900 for the current year, to wit:

For Sing Sing Male Prison	$414,550
For Sing Sing Female Prison	28,175
For Auburn Prison	201,700
For Auburn Insane Asylum	20,775
For Clinton	340,700

And this, in addition to the earnings at the prisons, which, in 1868, were about $220,000 and would not probably be less in 1869. And they reported that the annual earnings of the prisons fell $242,734 89 short of their ordinary annual expenditures. This financial result, causing our prisons to be a yearly drain upon the State Treasury, is not a sudden event, arising from recent occurrences, but is the legitimate and inevitable result of our pursuit of the same system for more than a quarter of a century. Referring to the second report of the Inspectors (that of last year being the 21st,) it appears that the deficiency in the first year under the existing system (viz., 1848) was $61,640 48, and it has gradually grown to about $250,000. Amidst this continuing and growing result of annual deficiences the question has been ever uppermost: How does it happen that with 2,000 to 3,000 full-grown prisoners, and most of them able bodied and in good health, enough cannot be earned to pay expenses which, at most, do not much exceed $200 to each person?

At one time it was thought that the "contract" plan, whereby the labor of the prisoners could be hired out, would answer. It was tried, but it was supposed to interfere with mechanical industry outside the prisons, and restrictions were thrown around it; and now, after many years of trial with and without such restrictions, it has clearly failed in its object of making the prisons self-supporting. The crisis growing out of our present condition is so palpable to the Association, that it feels as if it would be wanting in its duty, if it delayed presenting them until those minor matters were looked into; for the annual appropriations for prison purposes are increasing in rapidity and amount to a degree hitherto unknown in the history of the State.

For the past five years they have been as follows:

1865	$594,275 00	1868	$905,336 40
1866	964,394 00	1869	1,190,498 15
1867	1,013,766 00		
Forming an aggregate of			$4,367,259 65

This is a statement of legislative appropriations only, which are so much scattered among various acts of the Legislature, and make their appearance on so many different pages of the statute book, that it may not be in all respects a correct account of all the moneys expended for prison purposes. To guard against all error in the matter, we have obtained from the Comptroller the following statement of actual expenditures for the several five years ending on the 30th September, in each year:

1865	$678,909 28	1868	$988,188 17
1866	1,027,294 98	1869	1,147,051 58
1867	896,909 11		
Making an aggregate of			$4,303,353 20

We have five State Prisons—at Sing Sing for males, at Sing Sing for females, at Auburn for the sane, at Auburn for the insane, at Clinton for males, in which, at the beginning of this year, we had 2,930 cells and 2,995 prisoners. In Sing Sing there were in the male prison, in 1868, 109 more prisoners than cells; and in the female prison there have been for ten years more prisoners than cells; at one time (1865) there were fifty-two more prisoners there than cells. This state of things strikes at the very foundation of our boasted "separate" system of prison discipline.

The increase of crime amongst us seems to be greater than the increase of population. In 1847, with a population of about 2,700,000, the number of our State prisoners was 1,421. Now, with a population of about 4,000,000, we have 2,881 prisoners. So, that in that period, the number of convicts have increased more than 100 per cent., while the population has increased about 48 per cent. Be that, however, as it may, even if population only keeps pace with crime, it is most evident that it is time to make preparation for an inevitable increase, which may, in the next twenty years, as it has in the past twenty, double the number of our State prisoners, and that by a steady increase.

1. There shall be a Board of Managers of Prisons, to be composed of five persons appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, who shall hold office for ten years.

2. That Board shall have the charge and superintendence of the State Prisons, and have such power and perform such duties in respect to other prisons in the State as the Legislature may prescribe.

3. They shall appoint a Secretary who shall be removable at their pleasure, perform such duties as the Legislature or the Board may direct, and receive a salary to be determined by law.

4. The members of the Board shall receive no compensation other than reasonable traveling and official expenses.

5. The Board shall appoint the warden, clerk, physician and chaplain of each State Prison, and shall have power to remove them for cause, only after an opportunity to be heard, on written charges.

6. All other officers of each prison shall be appointed by the warden thereof and be removable at his pleasure.

7. The Governor may remove any of the managers for misconduct or neglect of duty, after opportunity to be heard on written charges.

8. The five managers first appointed shall, as the Legislature may direct, be so classified that the term of one shall expire at the end of each two years, during the first ten years.

9. This amendment shall go into effect on the first Monday of January next after its adoption by the people; so much and the whole of article 5 of the Constitution shall be null and void.

Express Stocks and Carpet-Bag Plantations.

In the case of BIRDSALL *vs.* JOSLYN, et al., a motion was made before Judge FREEDMAN, in the Superior Court, for leave to issue a commission to examine GEORGE WASHINGTON, JAMES K. POLK, both colored, and several other parties in the State of Louisiana. The action was brought by the plaintiff to recover $185,000 for damages caused to him by the defendants converting 800 shares of the express stock of WELLS, FARGO & Co. The plaintiff alleges in his complaint that a "runner" of the defendants advised him to go into some speculation, and finally introduced him to defendants, and on the 30th of April last the defendants loaned to the plaintiff $64,000, the plaintiff at the same time delivering to defendant 800 shares of the Wells, Fargo & Co.'s stock, as collateral security for the loan. The same day, as alleged, the defendants pledged these same 800 shares to W. T. COLEMAN & Co. for a loan of $150,000. On April, the plaintiff, in order to help the defendants, paid $32,000 to the defendants, though the loan was not yet due; but not supposing the defendants to have parted with the stock.

In the latter part of April, 1863, the defendants failed and plaintiff then ascertained that his stock had been pledged. The defendants, in June following, represented themselves as the owners of an interest in the crops growing on two plantations in Concordia Parish, in the State of Louisiana, 900 acres of which was in cotton, together with other crops thereon. The defendants finally succeeded in inducing the plaintiff to give them a release and take an assignment of the defendants' interest in the crops on the Concordia plantations, the proceeds of which resulted in the sum of $3,500 only. Plaintiff subsequently learned that there was not over twenty acres of cotton really gathered on the plantations. The motion is now made with a view to obtain the testimony of parties familiar with the condition and crops of the plantations at the time of the representations of defendants.

The motion was denied with costs.

T. B. ELDRIDGE for plaintiff; BROWN, HALL and VANDERPOEL for defendants.

The Early Martyrs—Lecture by Rev. Dr. Morrogh.

"The Martyrs" was the subject of a lecture last evening by Rev. WILLIAM P. MORROGH, D. D., pastor, at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Fourteenth-street, near Avenue A. The church was filled to repletion. The proceeds of the lecture are for the benefit of the poor under the care of the Confraternity of St. Vincent de Paul, and the sum realized for this charitable object must be large. The lecturer began by postraying the horrible condition, spiritually considered, of the world when our Saviour sent abroad his twelve disciples to carry the truths of Christianity among the nations; and the gigantic obstacles against which they had to contend in overturning the paganism which then prevailed. He alluded to the labors of St. Peter in Rome, where he took up his residence in the house of Senator Pudens, a Roman dignitary who had become a convert to Christianity, and in which city the persecution of Christians began A. D. 64. He briefly described the varied horrible tortures that were inflicted on the early believers by the Emperors NERO, TRAJAN, ADRIAN and their successors down to and including DIOCLETIAN, at the close of whose reign these bloody persecutions were ended by the accession of CONSTANTINE, the first Christian Emperor. He spoke, too, of the Catacombs of Rome and of the country round about, where these early Christians, hunted, tracked, and put to death in all ways that refined cruelty could invent, sought refuge from the monsters of paganism, and found a place where they could, down in the bowels of the earth, celebrate the divine mysteries of religion. In a many of these cave yet to be seen the altars erected for the performance of Christian rites. Six millions of Christians, it is estimated, laid down their lives for the faith during the 300 years of persecution which was set on foot by the infamous NERO. In closing, the lecturer drew a striking contrast between the church, buoyant and vigorous over the civilized world to-day, and its condition when to be a Christian was certain to insure martyrdom. The lecture was replete with historic incident, and was delivered in a most impressive manner. Many of the audience expressed their desire for its repetition.

Charity for All—Posthumous Praise for Secretary Stanton—Sermon by Rev. Henry Ward Beecher.

Rev. HENRY WARD BEECHER took for the text of his discourse, last evening, the story of Zaccheus, the Roman tax collector, of small stature but large means, who climbed a sycamore tree to get a sight of the Saviour as he passed through the streets of Jericho. Zaccheus was a man of bad repute among the people who paid taxes in those days, but on better acquaintance was found to possess some admirable qualities. From this fact the speaker drew the lesson that those men are not the worst who are looked upon with greatest disfavor among their fellow citizens. Men who are regarded as hard and stern, and even mean and dishonorable, are often found to be personally very agreeable men. This was doubtless the case with many political leaders who are maligned by newspapers and held up to the public as monsters of unscrupulousness and brutality. It was curious, he said, to read the biographies of some of these men after their death, when the world made haste to do them justice, and gave them credit for as many virtues as they had formerly found vices or weaknesses in their character. Take as an eminent instance the late Mr. STANTON. Six months ago he was represented as the rudest and most bearish of men. One would have thought that he had no heart at all, and yet no sooner was he dead than the newspapers were gushing with letters and anecdotes showing the tenderness and gentleness of his nature, and he was likely to go down to posterity as a man whose heart and sensitive feelings were the prominent traits of his character. A good deal was heard of the corruptions of the Ring and the unscrupulous character of the men who manage our local affairs, and yet he did not doubt that if any one were to get inside of the Ring he would find there men of the purest character, and of sterling integrity—men who in their private relations possessed the greatest sweetness and beauty of character. He had no admiration for the City Hall of the neighboring Metropolis, and did not suppose that those who traded in justice there were any purer than the calendar of Saints; but yet he did not believe they were anything like so bad as they were represented to be. He did not wish to extenuate their bad acts, but believed men should look more at the redeeming qualities of their neighbors, and not be so ready to condemn them as totally devoid of merit.

Perilous Times—Fraud, Divorce and Gambling.

Rev. J. M. STURTEVANT, Jr., acting pastor of the Congregational Church, worshiping at Rutgers Institute, preached yesterday morning from the words "In the last days perilous times shall come," (2d Timothy, iii., 1.) He said, strange that Paul, writing in the days of persecution, when Christians were constantly exposed to scourging, imprisonment and death, should point forward to these later times as the perilous ones. He proceeded to show how a Christian civilization increased the perils as well as the power of the Church, by opening to good men a sphere of business and pleasure from which they were formerly excluded, by the perversion of science and free inquiry, by the legal forms and Christian names given to vice, and finally by a formalism which could not have existed in the early Church. There were no doubt frauds and breaches of trust in the old times, but these things were not looked for in a Church that had left all things for its faith in God. The Roman practice in reference to divorce was perhaps as bad as ours, but it was not then under the sanction of a nominally Christian government and a so-called Christian public opinion. He had heard a deacon rebuke the boys of the Sabbath School for gambling with marbles, with tickets for a Chicago gift enterprise in his pocket. The ancients believed that Jonah was carried to Nineveh by the whale, around by way of Gibraltar and Cape Horn. He would sooner believe it, than that imitating the maxims and practices of the world would carry the Church nearer to Heaven.

Navy Yard Intelligence.

An order has been received at the Navy Yard, directing that fifty sailors be enlisted for one year to do the ordinary labor of the yard, and that they be paid $30 per month besides rations. The men already enlisted under this order are above middle age. The Government deems it just to confer such favors as it may have at its disposal upon old United States tars and marines.

The pilot house of the *Roanoke*, iron-clad, was taken ashore a day or two ago.

The *Benecia* is about ready to sail for China.

A draft of 140, mostly landsmen, arrived from Boston a few nights since.

One hundred and thirty-two sailors have been ordered on board the United States storeship *Onward*.

The second-class steam frigate *Powhatan* arrived on Saturday, and is lying off the Battery.

Twenty-eight marines arrived at the Navy yard from Washington on Friday evening last and were sent to the barracks. They were under command of First Lieutenant KNOX.

Since Wednesday last the Admiral's new flag has been floating from the masthead of the *Vermont*. Instead of the old blue flag, with stars, it consists of white and red stripes, without the jack or field of blue with white stars. The flags of Commanders, Captains, &c., have also been altered by order of Admiral PORTER.

It is reported that Admiral PORTER is to sail for Europe about the 1st of June next. Before that time the uniforms of the marines and their officers will undergo a change. It is understood that the pantaloons are to be dark blue, with a red stripe. This, it is said, will be the fifth change made since the close of the war.

Funeral of James Logan No. 2.

Some excitement prevailed among certain classes in this City yesterday, a rumor having spread like an unseen infection that the remains of JAMES LOGAN No. 2 were about to be removed to their final resting-place. Multitudes of interested and disinterested persons had gathered to witness the funeral procession, which passed at 2 P. M. from Bellevue Hospital down Broadway, and formed an immense column in the centre of which moved the hearse, and on either side of it the dreary *cortège* marched four abreast in front and rear of the remains. The procession was composed in the major portion of the veriest roughs and rowdies of the metropolitan slums. The friends and sympathizers, who were legion, wore badges and a variety of insignia, with the willow, under which was inscribed, "JAMES LOGAN." This created much sensation among the multitude of the populace, of all ages and both sexes, who were spectators at one of the most remarkable funerals that has for a long time crossed the avenues of this City. The body was taken by the Fulton Ferry to Greenwood Cemetery.

Fire in the Bay—A Tugboat Burned.

Yesterday morning, about 11 o'clock, while the tugboat *Jonathan Chase*, Captain DALTON, was returning to the City, after having towed the bark *Mendota* as far as Quarantine, when off Robins Reef Lighthouse, fire was discovered breaking out from around the steam chimney. The men made all efforts to extinguish the fire, but the wind was blowing so strong they were unable to stop its headway. They launched a boat, and were picked up by the Staten Island ferry boat *Northfield*, Captain FREELAND, and brought to the City. The burning tug was afterwards towed by the tug *Unit* on to the Jersey flats.

Judge Smith's Decision in the Albany and Susquehanna Railroad Case—Card of Messrs. McFarland and Monk.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In most of the daily morning papers of this City issued on the 6th inst., there appeared what purported to be a statement of General MARTINDALE, which was to be used on a motion to be made in the Susquehanna Railroad case, at Albion, in the County of Orleans, on the 20th inst., to vacate the judgment of Justice E. DARWIN SMITH, entered therein.

The numerous stars in the General's production indicate that portions of it are, for some reason, suppressed. That statement can have no possible legal pertinence on the hearing of the motion in which it is proposed to be used, and could not, therefore, have been embraced in the motion papers, and prematurely furnished for publication to the daily press of the City of New-York before the service thereof upon the attorneys for Mr. RAMSEY, to whom they were addressed, except for the evident intentional motive and design of defaming Judge D. DARWIN SMITH'S character as a man and as a Judge.

As we the undersigned are named in that statement in connection with the Judge, and with the proceedings on the occasion of the entry of judgment in the case lately tried before his Honor Judge SMITH, at the City of Rochester, we feel called upon, in justice to that upright Magistrate, and in fairness to the public, to state, as the truth is, that every word, sentence and intimation in the statement of the distinguished General, imputing to Judge SMITH, by inuendo or otherwise, any irregularity, unfairness, partiality, or any proceedings or conduct upon his part unbecoming a Judge, are, so far as we are concerned, or so far as we have any knowledge, utterly and totally false and scandalous.

In relation to Judge SMITH'S conduct, or in relation to the correctness of his conclusions in this matter, in so far as they affect the parties to the suit, we leave them to take care of themselves and of their rights in the manner prescribed by law, believing, however, that Judge SMITH'S decision will stand as the judgment of the Supreme Court, and the final determination as to the rightful control and ownership of the Albany and Susquehanna Railroad, until some better reason can be assigned for its reversal than such ungentlemanly, unprofessional and untruthful imputations upon the integrity of a Judge whose character is above suspicion, as are contained in this statement of General MARTINDALE, the leading counsel of JAMES FISK, Jr., in this controversy.

N. C. MOAK,
JOHN H. MCFARLAND.

ALBANY, Friday, Jan. 7, 1870.

AN INTERESTING SUIT.

A Case Involving $100,000 Worth of Property.

From the Detroit Free Press, Jan. 8.

An important suit in chancery has recently been decided by Judge SUTHERLAND, in the Bay Circuit. The litigation which culminated in this suit has lasted several years, and the facts developed are interesting, and more than a little out of the ordinary course. The history of the transaction in brief is somewhat as follows:

In 1861 the late NELSON P. STEWART, of this city, claimed to be owner and was in possession of the property in dispute, which is called the "Drake Mill property," and consists of about forty-four acres of land on the Saginaw River, opposite Bay City, in Wenona, and upon which there is a steam saw mill. STEWART'S title of record was defective, owing to the fact that certain deeds relating thereto had never been recorded, so that by the record he appeared to own only two-fifths of the premises. ELISHA C. LITCHFIELD held a mortgage given by STEWART upon this other property for $6,500. Sept. 13, 1861, while in possession of the mill upon said premises, STEWART was stricken with paralysis, and lingered along until June, 1863, when he died. In May, 1863, STEWART'S equity of redemption in the property covered by the Litchfield mortgage was sold by a receiver, to whom STEWART had executed an assignment under a decree upon a judgment creditor's bill in the United States Court, and at the sale LITCHFIELD became the purchaser. A short time prior to this, DANIEL BURNS and JOHN DRAKE, who resided at Bay City, having discovered the defects in STEWART'S recorded title, obtained quit-claim deeds from the parties appearing to have the title of record to three-fifths of the property in dispute, and under cover of this title went into possession of the mill, which had remained vacant since the fall of 1861, when fire was taken sick, as above stated. LITCHFIELD commenced ejectment suit in the United States Court, September, 1863, against BURNS & DRAKE, to get possession from them.

This case was tried in July, 1864, resulting in a verdict and judgment for LITCHFIELD for four-fifths of the property. LITCHFIELD then filed a bill in chancery to obtain conveyance from BURNS & DRAKE of the remaining one-fifth, and in due course obtained a decree in his favor to that effect. BURNS & DRAKE took a new trial under the statute by payment of costs in the ejectment suit. The next term of the Court was to commence Nov. 1, 1864. On Sept. 5, 1865, BURNS presented for record at the Register's office of Bay County a deed dated Sept. 10, 1861, (prior to the assignment to the receiver,) purporting to be executed by STEWART and MARY E., his wife, to A. L. DUGRAFF, of Iowa. The Register, suspecting from its appearance that the deed was a forgery, called the attention of the County Clerk and prosecuting attorney to it, and under the advice of the latter had photographs of it taken. The next morning BURNS called at the Register's office and took the deed away. Nov. 15, 1864, BURNS & DRAKE applied for a continuance of the ejectment suit, which was denied. The next day a new application was made and denied. On the 24th or 25th a third application was made, which was also denied. Nov. 26, 1864, ABNER C. JOHNSON filed a bill in the Bay Circuit Circuit, claiming to be the owner of the premises and in possession, and alleging that BURNS, DRAKE and LITCHFIELD had set up some claim to these premises, which was a cloud upon his title, and praying for the removal of this cloud. JOHNSON claimed title through deed from STEWART to ALONZO L. DUGRAFF, of date Sept. 10, 1861, and deed from said DUGRAFF to THERON K. WILKINS, dated Dec. 21, 1861, and deed from WILKINS to himself. LITCHFIELD answered this bill, charging collusion and conspiracy between JOHNSON and BURNS & DRAKE; that the alleged deed from STEWART to DUGRAFF was a forgery, and that DUGRAFF and WILKINS were both fictitious personages. He also filed a cross bill containing similar allegations, and praying for a decree declaring the STEWART deed to DUGRAFF a forgery.

In December, 1864, the ejectment suit in the United States Court was tried the second time, with the same result as upon the former trial. Defendants moved for a new trial, and thus delayed execution until the last of January, 1865, when a writ of possession was issued, under which LITCHFIELD was put into possession. BURNS and DRAKE, or JOHNSON, afterwards took possession again by force, and an *alias* writ issued, under which LITCHFIELD was put in possession again. In May, 1865, LITCHFIELD obtained an order in the suit commenced by his cross bill aforesaid, for the production of the deed from STEWART to DUGRAFF, and in compliance with which a paper was produced which purported to be such deed, and which accorded generally with it as recorded. Meantime one LYON, of Flint, acting in the interest of JOHNSON, had obtained possession of the photographs and negatives taken of the deed offered for record and recorded as aforesaid. The Register of Deeds, however, on being shown the paper so produced as the deed from STEWART to DUGRAFF, testified that it was not the one which he had recorded, and also that the certificate of record on the back of the paper so produced, purporting to be signed by him, was a forgery. In this statement he was corroborated by the persons to whom he had shown the deed at the time of the recording of it. The deed recorded, according to the description of those who saw it, was a very bungling forgery, but the one produced was nearly perfect; so much so, in fact, that very strong evidence was given as to its genuineness by those familiar with the signatures. The deed recorded was signed MARY E., instead of MARY A., which was the name of Mrs. STEWART, and the one produced was signed M. A. STEWART instead, while Mrs. STEWART testified that it was customary for her in signing such papers to write her name in full—MARY A. The witnesses were CHAS. L. DIBBLE and REBECCA BAINES. Mr. DIBBLE had died before the testimony was taken, and the imitation of his signature was so perfect that many who were familiar with it testified to its genuineness. Mrs. BAINES had no recollection of signing such an instrument, but her handwriting had been very successfully imitated. Some time after the Register and other witnesses aforesaid had been sworn in the case, one of the photographs of the deed was unexpectedly discovered and produced, from which it was quite apparent that the paper produced was a different instrument. Pending the case, LITCHFIELD'S counsel published a notice in the papers at Bay City, Detroit, and Davenport, Iowa, offering a reward for information of A. L. DUGRAFF and THERON B. WILKINS, but obtained no such information. The alleged deed from WILKINS to JOHNSON was not recorded or produced until March last, when it was put in as evidence in this case. It bore the date of Oct. 22, 1861, instead of Dec. 21, as stated in the bill. JOHNSON produced several witnesses who testified to having seen both DUGRAFF and WILKINS; the former at Bay City, with STEWART, in the Summer of 1861, and the latter at the same place in the Fall of 1861, and at Flint in the Summer and Fall of 1864, but none of them knew whence they came, nor whither they had gone. This testimony the counsel for LITCHFIELD contended was wholly unreliable to prove the existence of any such persons. The property involved was worth from $12,000 to $15,000 when the litigation commenced, but it has increased in value until now it is estimated to be worth more than $100,000. It was this bill and cross bill that were recently decided as above stated by Judge SUTHERLAND. This case was argued Dec. 30 and 31 last by W. L. WEBBER, of Saginaw, and J. MARSTON, of Bay City, and A. POND, of this City, for LITCHFIELD, and by S. M. GREEN, of Bay City, and Mr. MILLER, of Saginaw, for JOHNSON, and was decided Jan. 7, inst. The original bill was dismissed and the relief prayed for in the cross bill granted.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, Jan. 8—11 A. M.—Consols opened at 92¾ for money, and 92¾ for the account. United States Five-twenty Bonds, 1862, 86¾; 1865, Old, 85¾; 1867, 85¾; Ten-forties, 84¾; Illinois Central, 102¾; Atlantic and Great Western, 25¾; Erie Railway Shares, 17¾.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 8—11 A. M.—COTTON—The market opens quiet; Middling Uplands, 11¼d.; Middling Orleans, 11¾d. The sales of the day are estimated at 10,000 bales.

BREADSTUFFS—Wheat, 9s. 4d. ₱ cental for California White; 8s. 1d. for No. 2 Red Western, and 8s. 9d. for Red Winter. Flour, 21s. 6d. ₱ bbl. for Western Canal.

PARIS, Jan. 8.—The Bourse opened firm. Rentes, 74f. 82c.

ANTWERP, Jan. 8.—Petroleum opened firm and unchanged.

LONDON, Jan. 8—1:30 P. M.—Consols closed at 92¾ for money, and 92¾ for the account. American Securities closed quiet: United States Five-twenty Bonds, 1862, 86¾; 1865, Old, 85¾; 1867, 85¾; Ten-forties, 84¾; Erie Railway Shares, 17¾; Illinois Central, 102¼; Atlantic and Great Western, 25¾.

PARIS, Jan. 8.—The Bourse closed firm. Rentes, 74f. 75c.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 8—1:30 P. M.—COTTON—The market closed quiet; Middling Uplands, 11¼d.; Middling Orleans, 11¾d. The sales of the day have been 10,000 bales, including 2,000 for export and speculation.

BREADSTUFFS—Wheat, 8s. 9d. 1d. for No. 2 Red Western.

PROVISIONS—Beef, 103s. ₱ tierce, of 304 lbs. for New Extra Prime Mess. Bacon, 63s. ₱ cwt. for New Cumberland Cut.

PRODUCE—Tallow, 44s. 6d. ₱ cwt.

PARIS, Jan. 8—2:30 P. M.—The Bourse is now firm. Rentes, 74f. 87c.

FRANKFORT, Jan. 8.—United States Five-twenty Bonds opened heavy and quiet, at 91¾@91¾ for the issue of 1862.

HAVRE, Jan. 8.—Cotton opened quiet both on spot and afloat.

PARIS, Jan. 8—6 P. M.—The Bourse is buoyant. Rentes, 74f. 90c.

FRANKFORT, Jan. 8.—United States Five-twenty Bonds closed quiet.

HAVRE, Jan. 8.—Cotton closed quiet and steady.

ANTWERP, Jan. 8.—Petroleum closed firm and unchanged.

BREMEN, Jan. 8.—Petroleum closed flat at 6 thalers 56 groats.

HAMBURG, Jan. 8.—Petroleum closed flat at 14 marc bancos 14 schilling.

HAVANA, Jan 9.—The following is the condition of the markets for the week ending Jan. 8: SUGAR—Stock in warehouses in Havana and Matanzas, 97,000 boxes, 9,000 hhds.; exported during the week from Havana and Matanzas, 5,000 boxes and 1,300 hhds.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—EXCHANGE scarce at 1-10 off buying, and 1-10 ₱ cent. premium selling. FLOUR easier at $3 50@$6 for Spring Extras. WHEAT quiet at 83c. 285c. for No. 1, and 77¾c. 277¼c. for No. 2; in the afternoon, No. 2 steady at 77¾c. cash, and 78¼c. seller February. CORN firmer at 71c. 271¼c. for Regular No. 2; in the afternoon No. 2 was nominal at 70¼@70¾c. OATS quiet at 40c. RYE active and steady at 93c. for No. 2. BARLEY dull at 90c. 285c. for No. 2. HIGHWINES nominal at 91c. PROVISIONS easier. PORK closed quiet and easy at $27 25, cash, and $27 75, seller February. LARD firm and steady at 16c. MEATS firm and steady; Rough Sides, 12¾c.; Short Rib Middles, 13¼c.; Dry-salted Shoulders, 10¾c. HAMS nominal at 14c. 214¾c. for Green, and 14¼c. 214¾c. for Sweet Pickled. Dressed HOGS dull but higher at $10@$11 25 for Good to Choice. Live HOGS firm and higher at $8 90@$9 15 for Light shipping; $9 25@$9 40 for round to extra shipping. CATTLE quiet, steady and unchanged. RECEIPTS—5,000 bbls. Flour, 32,000 bushels Wheat, 18,000 bushels Corn, 29,000 bushels Oats, 3,200 bushels Barley, 4,500 Hogs. SHIPMENTS—3,300 bbls. Flour, 9,500 bushels Wheat, 16,000 bushels Corn, 4,000 bushels Rye, 5,500 Hogs.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 8.—FLOUR dull and unchanged. WHEAT quiet and steady at $1 10@$1 13 for Winter Red. RYE quiet at 88c. 290c. for No. 2. 93c. for No. 1; offerings light. CORN firmer and in good demand at 89c. 291c. for strictly sound samples Mixed Ear. OATS dull and no demand; prices unchanged. BARLEY inactive and nominal; Fall at $1 10@$1 35. COTTON—Middling, 24c. 224c. for No. 1; Low do. 23½c. 223½c. WHISKY held at 93c., but without activity. PROVISIONS quiet and firmer. Mess PORK held at $27 50; demand light. Bulk MEATS firm; Shoulders, 11¼c.; Clear Rib Sides, 14¼c.; Clear Sides, 15c. for fully-cured and pickled. BACON—No demand; 13c. for Shoulders, 16c. for Clear Rib, 16½c. for Clear Sides, asked. Packed HAMS, 19¼c. 220c. LARD—16¼c. for Kettle; Prime Steam, 15¼c. 215¼c. Green MEATS firmer; offerings light; sales at 10c. 210¼c. for Shoulders, 12c. 212¼c. for Sides, 14c. 215c. for Hams. EXCHANGE at par buying, 1-10 ₱ cent. premium selling.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 8.—TOBACCO quiet and unchanged. COTTON, nothing doing. FLOUR dull; Superfine, $3 75@$4; Extra, $4 12@$4 25; Double Extra, $4 25@$4 62. WHEAT dull; No. 2 Red Fall, in the elevator, 99